



# **Heartland Genealogy**

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*Tackling those Brick Walls*

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## Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

### List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

#### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local

Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.



The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from June 24th, 2023*

- 801 Raphael T Gudenkauf Se
- 802 Raymond A Hasenkamp Ax
- 803 Elmer Jos Olberding Ba
- 804 Raphael Lee Dalsing Se
- 805 Paul Henry Lierz Se
- 806 Clifford Frederick Labbe On
- 807 Harold J Jenneret Ha
- 808 Harry Edw McCabe Jr Co
- 809 Frank Edward Stuke Se
- 810 Melvin G H Bredemeier Se
- 811 William Martin Metzger On
- 812 Garth H Smith Se
- 813 Melvin Rifer Haxton Sa
- 814 Raymond Howard Lines Sa
- 815 Marrion Lee Owens Ce
- 816 Freeman Jonhth'n Davis We
- 817 David Devor Se
- 818 Vernon Allen Groff Se
- 819 Jesse John Schmidt We
- 820 Bernard Aloysius Becker Se
- 821 Riley Wm Davidson Ba

822 Mayo Gerald Long Ce  
823 Loren Henry Carpenter Sa  
824 Henry Joseph Buessing Ba  
825 Albert John Boeckman Go  
826 Daniel J Dreiling Se  
827 Paul Aloysius Hutton Sa  
828 Marion Duane Noble Ce  
829 Samuel Edw Hunzeker Go  
830 Lawrence H. Brown Se  
831 Leland Mark Blank Go  
832 Vincent Henry Lackey Se  
833 Clifford Jean Harter Be  
834 Lambert John Heinen Se  
835 Adolph Albert Hermesch Co  
836 Harry Boyd Kerr Be  
837 Loyd Ehram Be  
838 Edwin Wm. Tanking On  
839 Eldon Charles Snyder Sa  
840 Robert Glen Sourk Go  
841 Emerett William Flaherty Ha  
842 Chester Wayne Sourk Go  
843 James Louis Halfen Ba  
844 Donald Jefferson Kehler Sa  
845 Ken'th Lowell Armstrong Ce  
836 John Joseph Rilinger Se  
847 David Monroe Anderson Ce  
848 Garland Lawrence Luellen So  
849 Henry J. Hunninghake Ba  
850 Paul Henry Heideman Ax

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

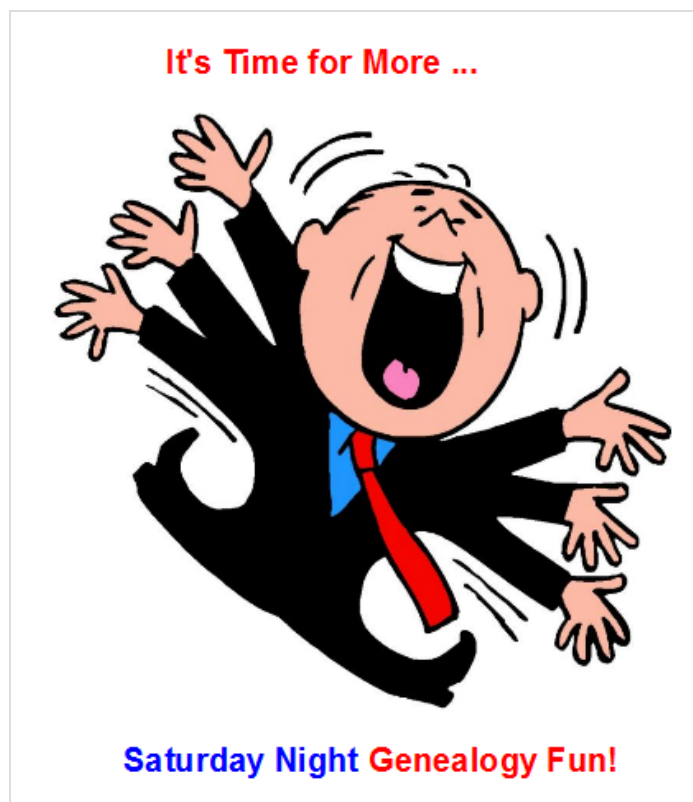
/ JULY 2, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

**It's Saturday Night again –  
time for some more Genealogy  
Fun!!**

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):



**1) What are the Top 10 genealogy related books that helped you the most?**

# 10 **The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy** — This is the first genealogy book I purchased and has been a reference I turn to when wanting to learn more about a particular aspect of genealogy

# 9 **Computer software guides** — Whether PAF, The Master Genealogist or RootsMagic, I've had a reference guide that I turn to when I want to learn a new aspect of a program.

# 8 **The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy** — This book has helped me learn about records beyond birth marriage and death records.

# 7 **History and Genealogies of the Hammond Families in America** by Frederick Hammond – This family genealogy helped me locate documentation for my HAMMOND line so that I could complete my DAR application.

# 6 **Harding Genealogy** Volumes 1 and 2 by Mrs. Raymond Caron and Brenda Caron – This set of books helped me understand a Flewelling / Harding document I found in the Black Hawk County, Iowa deeds. It also connects my Iowa Harding line to Loyalists in New Brunswick.

# 5 **Currey family Bible** – The information in this Bible was essential to my Currey research. The 1835 birth date in this Bible was the only piece of data I had tying my Leavenworth county ancestor to Peoria county, Illinois.

# 4 **Briles Genealogy** compiled by Max Briles — This book was written by a second cousin twice removed on my Briles line. Much of the information in the book was collected through correspondence with family members.

# 3 **Warren County (Indiana) Cemetery Inscriptions** by Rosella Jenkins – For the most part this set of books have been replaced by Find A Grave. However, there are names and dates in this book that are not on Find A Grave likely because the stones have disappeared.

# 2 **Evidence Explained** and predecessors like Evidence! Citation and Analysis and Cite Your Sources help me write citations to document my research. This is likely replacing my #1 choice but I wouldn't be where I am today with my research without the book at # 1 on my list.

# 1 **The Handybook for Genealogists** — This handy little book was an essential resource prior to the Internet. The addresses in this book helped me request records from county officials around the country.





# Revolutionary Ancestors

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 3, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: BUCKLES, FOSTER, HAMMOND, MCCORMICK, REVOLUTIONARY\_WAR, RICKETTS

Were any of your ancestors in the colonies prior to the American Revolution? If so, have you tried to identify ancestors who may have fought in the Revolutionary War?

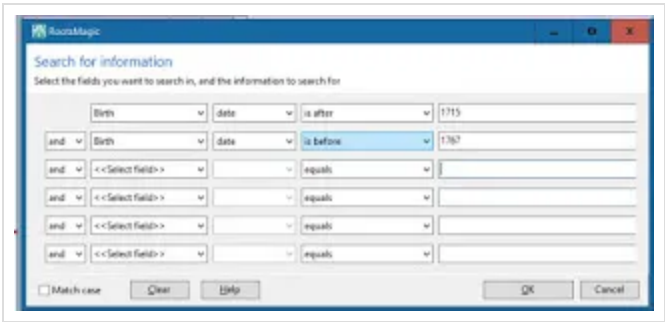
Since I am a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), I already knew that one of my ancestors provided patriotic service during the war: Nathaniel Hammond of Connecticut.

I had also started collecting documentation to prove William Buckles on my mother's side of my tree.

Beyond that, I didn't know which of my ancestors might have served. Thus, I needed to create a list of ancestors who might have served so that I could research them in Fold3 and the DAR databases.

To create a list of potential people, I needed to know who was of the appropriate age to serve. I found a wiki on FamilySearch that lists various wars and suggests 'Ages of Servicemen in Wars.'

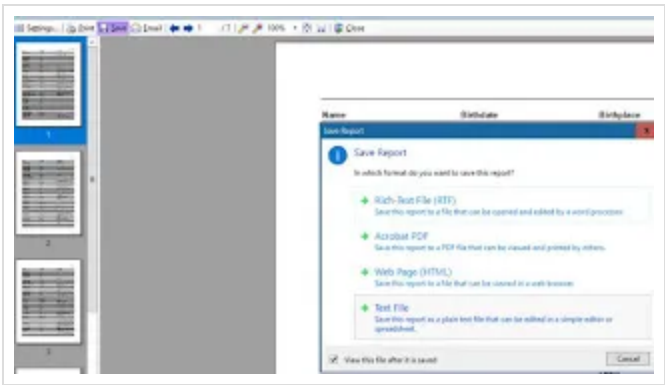
Using that information, I was able to create a marked group of those whose  
Birth date is after 1715 AND Birth date is before 1767



Using this group, I created a custom report to list the names, birth dates and birth places. (Note: I should have added the death date and death place to my report.)

1 JULY 2018		
Name	Birthdate	Birthplace
Adams, Abraham	1755	
Adams, Absalom	1725	Northern Neck, Virginia
Adams, Absalom	1725	Hertfordshire, England
Adams, Absalom	1750	
Adams, Feathergill	1755	
Adams, Gavin	1763	
Adams, Gowan	1761	
Adams, Luke	1758	
Adams, Thomas	1760	
Bailey, John	1755	
Beckwith, Richard	abt 1754	
Blair, John	1739	V.A. or P.A.
Brown, Clark	abt 1748	
Brown, Frederick	abt 1740	Orange, Orange, Virginia, United States
Brown, Abraham	24 Sep 1762	Madison, Madison, Virginia, United States
Brown, Adam	abt 1728	Madison, Madison, Virginia, United States

I saved the report as a text file so that I could open it in Excel.



When I opened the text file in Excel, I had almost 270 individuals in my list.

Name	Birth Date	Birth Place
Adams, Abraham	1755	
Adams, Absalom	1725	
Adams, Absalom	1725	Northern Neck, Virginia
Adams, Absalom		Hertfordshire, England
Adams, Absalom	1750	
Adams, Feathergill	1755	
Adams, Gavin	1763	
Adams, Gowan	1761	
Adams, Luke	1758	
Adams, Thomas	1760	
Bailey, John	1755	

Since this list was NOT limited to ancestors, I had to manually figure out who on the list was an ancestor.

To help identify those ancestors, I created a marked group in RootsMagic for my ancestors. This allowed me to have an alphabetical list of ancestors in RootsMagic and compare it to the list of potential revolutionary war ancestors in my Excel spreadsheet.

After marking the ancestors on my list of potential revolutionary war people, I was down to 20 names.

Ancestor	Name	Birth Date	Birth Place
Y	Buckles, William	abt 1743	Frederick, Virginia, United States
Y	Foster, John	abt 1735	Cumberland, Allegany, Maryland, United States
Y	Hammond, Nathaniel	10 Sep 1733	Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut
Y	McCormick, John	1750	Queen Anne Parish, Prince George County, Maryland
Y	Ricketts, Cheney	abt 1732	

I then looked up those 20 names using the DAR Ancestor Search site.

Of my 20 ancestors of the appropriate age to have served, only five of them had service information in the DAR database. An additional 2 men were in the DAR database, but their service information is questionable.

#### Revolutionary War Patriot Ancestors

- William Buckles – Berkeley Militia
- John Foster – Private under Captain Peter Mantz
- Nathaniel Hammond – Patriotic Service
- John McCormick – Private in Pennsylvania Rangers under Captain Baird
- Cheney Ricketts – Patriotic Service

#### Potential Patriot Ancestors – DAR designated ‘Must Prove’

- John Bland
- Jason Hammond

## Ancestors of Appropriate Age but NOT in DAR database

- Richard Beckerdite
- Frederick Briles (Broyles)
- Theodore Hale
- William Harding — LOYALIST
- John Iglehart
- John Ralston
- John Ricketts
- Benjamin Rush
- Crafford Rush
- James Story
- Green Wells
- Nathaniel Wells
- Oliver White

Now that I have identified potential revolutionary war participants, I can watch for their names in county histories, court records and other documents.

# Patriots

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 4, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: REVOLUTIONARY\_WAR



In honor of the 4th of July, I am reposting this from last year.

Does your tree go back to colonial times? If so, have you tried to find revolutionary war ancestors? When I first started researching my tree, I looked for a Crawford that served. Unfortunately, I still haven't been able to get my tree back far enough on my Crawford line to have a potential patriot.

Since I had a copy of my great grandmother's application to the Daughters of the American Revolution, I gave up looking for a Crawford patriot and applied using her application — and I

was denied. Her application used Jason Hammond (1762-1842) as her patriot ancestor.



1. Josie Winifred Hammond Crawford.....being of the age of eighteen years and upwards, hereby apply for membership in the Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from Jason Hammond.....  
 who was born in Bolton, Conn.....on the 1st day of Feb., 1762  
 and died in Bath, Ohio.....on the 21st day of Sept., 1830  
 His place of residence during the Revolution was Conn.  
 I was born in near Galva.....County of Knox  
 State of Illinois.....on 2-9-1874

(Please give all dates by numerals, month first, and given names in full)

1. I am the daughter of  
 Richmond Fisk Hammond.....born on 11-20-1840 at.....Ohio  
 died at Sawtelle, Calif.....on 4-8-1928 married (?) on 1-1-1867 to  
 Sarah Ellen Halston.....born on 5-11-1849 at Knox, Co. Ills  
 died at Dodge City, Kansas.....on 10-19-1892

2. The said Richmond Fisk Hammond.....was the child of  
 Horatio Hammond.....born on 10-24-1798 at.....Ohio  
 died at Knox Co. Ills.....on 10-7-1879 married (?) on 4-14-1825 to  
 Louisa Fisk.....born on 8-16-1806 at Watertown, Mass., N.Y.  
 died at Knox Co. Ills.....on 8-17-1874

3. The said Horatio Hammond.....was the child of  
 Jason Hammond.....born on 2-1-1762 at Bolton, Conn.  
 died at Bath, Ohio.....on 9-21-1830 married (?) on 4-24-1788 to  
 Rachel Hale.....born on 12-11-1758 at Glastonbury, Conn.  
 died at Bath, Ohio.....on 11-11-1842

4. The said Jason Hammond.....was the child of  
 Nathaniel Hammond.....born on 9-16-1763 at.....  
 died at.....Conn?.....on 12-10-1817 married (?) on.....1760 to  
 Dorothy Tucker.....born on.....1740 at.....  
 died at.....on 12-25-1775

at research on this margin, which is needed for binding.

However, the line thru this Jason Hammond is closed. My application was modified to go thru Jason's father, Nathaniel Hammond (#A050625) who provided patriotic service for Connecticut.

After my application was approved, I quit looking at most of my other branches. Wanting to have a patriot ancestor on my mom's side of the tree, I did investigate the Buckles line.

Recently, I was curious about how many patriot lines I might have in my tree. Thus, I started researching the men in the 8th generation of my tree to see if someone with similar information was listed in the DAR ancestor file. And I found quite a few ancestors on the DAR site.

## Paternal Side

- Elizur Talcott (1709-1797 #A113367 provided patriotic service and served as a Colonel for Connecticut in the 6th Regiment militia under Brigadier General Wolcott
- John Foster (1735-1800) #A041635 served as a private for Maryland under Capt. Peter Mantz

- Daniel Harris (abt 1737-1821) #A051563 served as a private for Virginia under Capt. James Kearny, Cols Thomas Hartly, Hubley
- Samuel Demarest (1707-1785) #A131555 possibly served for York County, Pennsylvania.
- Simon Van Arsdale (1746-1802) #A117118 served as a Major for Pennsylvania under Col. Andrew in the York County militia and also as a Captain under Col. McPherson and an ensign under Capt. Hugh Campbell
- Henry Banta (1718-1805) #A005785 provided patriotic service for Pennsylvania
- Harmanus Ostrander (1729-1803) #A210554 served as a private for new York in the Ulster county militia
- Ebenezer Merry (1748-1809) #A078189 served as a private for Connecticut under Lt. Seymour and Maj Newberry
- Stephen Peabody (1753-1838) #A086830 served as a sergeant for Massachusetts under Capt. Jabes West and Col. Jonathan Eddy

## Maternal Side

- Benjamin Rush (1752-1819) #A100014 provided patriotic service in North Carolina by furnishing supplies in 1780
- James Buckles (1733-1797) #A016515 served as a Captain for Virginia in the Berkeley County militia
- Thomas Dawson (1760-1832) #A030832 provided patriotic service for Virginia by furnishing supplies
- Oliver Miles (1738-1820) #A078880 served as a private for Massachusetts under Lt. Ephraim Wheeler and Col Eleazor Brooks
- John Josselyn Junior (1735-1810) #A063118 served as a Captain for Massachusetts under Col. John Whetcomb at Lexington and in the 8th Worcester County Militia under Col Job Cushing. He was also a town treasurer.
- Nathaniel Wells Senior (1730-1804) #A122573 served as a private for Connecticut under Capt. James Chapman and Col. Samuel Holden Parsons
- Oliver White (1724-1789) served as a private for Massachusetts under Capt Eliakim Smith at Lexington and under Captains Smith, Moses Kellogg and Col. Jonathan Ward
- David Kennedy (1730-1792) #A064685 served as a private for Connecticut at Lexington
- Comfort Barnes (1737-1816) #A006295 was a civil servant and provided patriotic service for Massachusetts. He served on the Committee of Safety or Correspondence.

I never dreamed I had this many potential patriots in my tree! Now, I have to not only document their service but make sure I have documented my line back to them.

# Goal Update

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 5, 2023

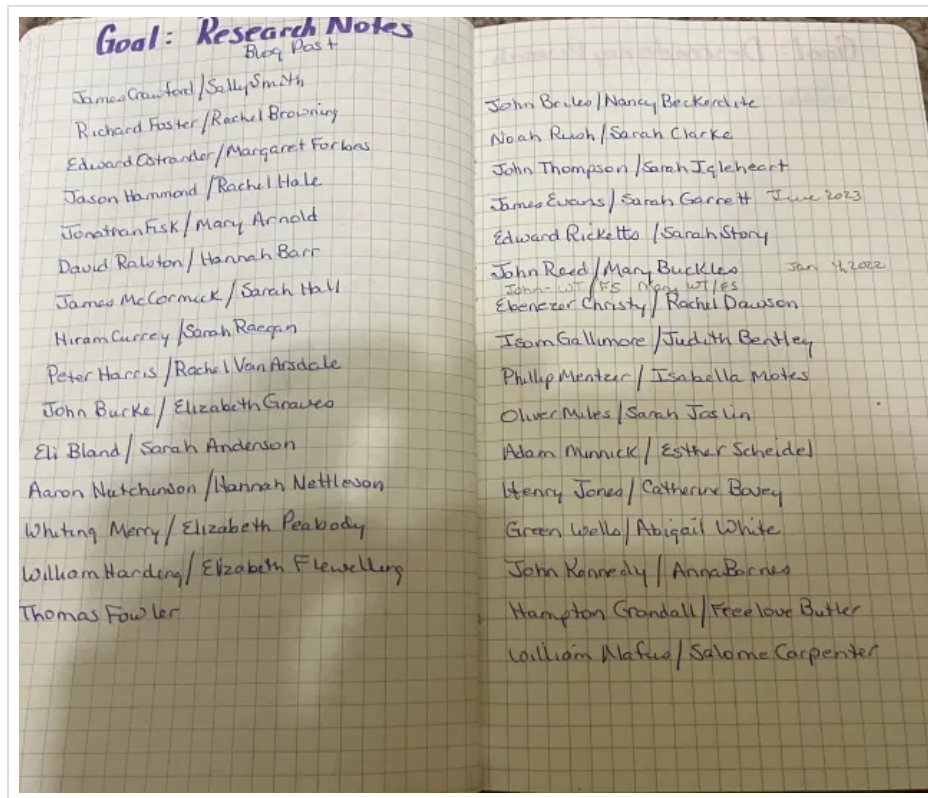
/ CATEGORIES: GOALS

Do you write annual goals? If so, have you looked at your progress. It is half way thru the year and I should be half way thru my goals. However, I have to admit, I'm not! In fact, it seems like I've made very little progress.

This lack of progress is very obvious when one looks at the list of goals in my journal. One of my goals was to update FamilySearch and WikiTree for my ancestors thru my second great grandparents and for my great aunts and uncles. In particular, I want to make sure that the photos passed down to me by my grandmothers are uploaded to FamilySearch helping to preserve them. While I have some of that done, I have a lot left undone at this point in the year.

Goal: Update Sites				
Person	FS Photos	FS Sources	WikiTree	Geni
Washington Marion Crawford	WT 12/24	WT/FS		
Mary Foster				
Richmond Hammond				
Sarah Ralston				
Hiram Currier d 1901				
Angelina Burke				
Albert Hutchinson				
Julia Hocking				
Noah Briles				
Sarah Thompson				
James M. Ricketts				
Rachel Christy				
George Mentzer				
Emeline Minnick				
Thurston Wells				
Salome Crandall				
Judson Crawford	12/22 WT	WT/FS		
Jessie Hammond	12/24 WT	WT/FS		
Hiram Currier d 1901	12/24 WT	WT/FS		
Winnie Hutchinson	12/24 WT	WT/FS		
Edward G. Briles				
Frances Ricketts				
Charles Mentzer				
Nettie Wells				
Leon Crawford	WT	FS/WT		
Winnie Currier	12/22 WT	FS Photos	FS/WT	
E. O. Briles	1/9 WT			
Pauline Mentzer				
Person	FS Photos	FS Sources	WikiTree	Geni
Berence Crawford	FS Link		12/24	
Marion Crawford			12/24	
Walter Crawford			12/25	
Walter Crawford			12/25	
George Allen			12/25	
Russell Horton			12/25	
Gladys Norderwilt			12/25	
Sarah Crawford			12/25	
Carl Hall			12/25	
Lois Crawford			12/25	
Ralph Madson			12/25	
Hebert Miller Currier			12/26	
Henry Currier			12/26	
Pepper Sheppard Currier			12/26	
Hiram Currier (baby)			12/26	
Myrtle Currier			1/2/2023	
Don Jones				
Claude Gaskin				
Mary Currier				
Joseph Walters				
Samuel Currier				
Evelyn Rasmussen				
Alma Currier				
To Taylor				
Samuel Christy				1/4/2023
Martha Smith Crawford				1/4
Richmond Fisk Hammond				1/4
Sarah Ralston Hammond				1/4
Hiram Currier 1835-1901				1/5
Angelina Burke				1/5

Another goal was to update my research for my 4th great grandparents and share that information via my tree, the FamilySearch tree, blog posts and possibly Wikitree. This goal shows even less progress than my 'update' goal.



Another goal was to work on verifying my Ancestry ThruLines. That goal changed after watching one of Diahan Southard's RootsTech sessions on autosomal DNA and learning about her 'dots' system.

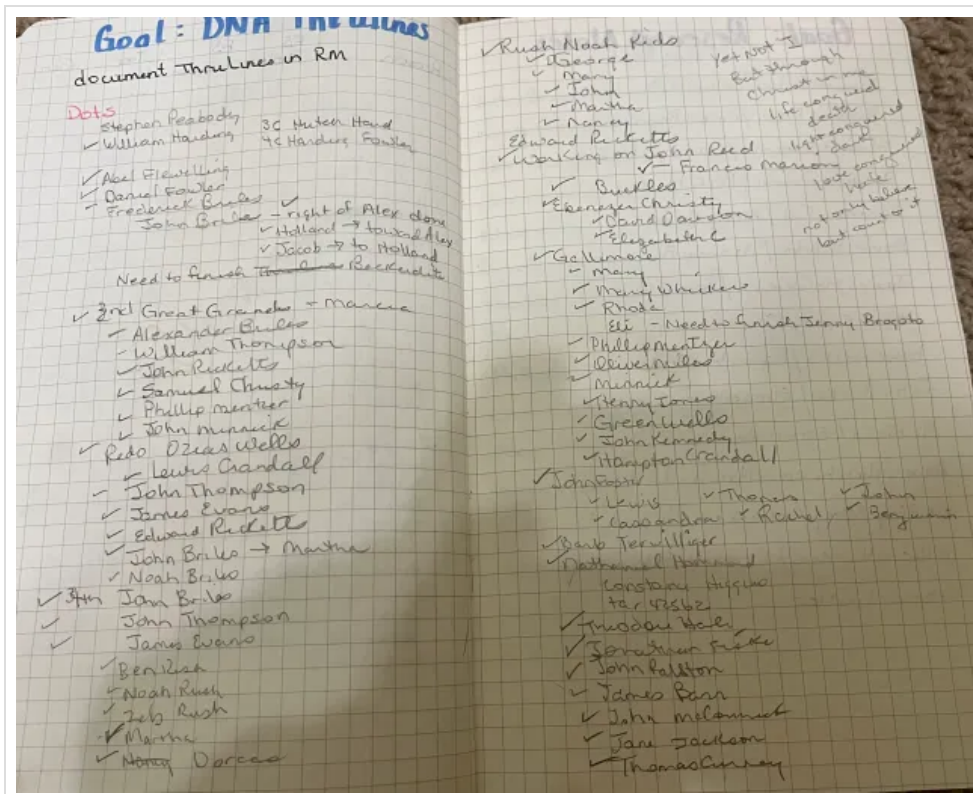




<https://youtube.com/watch?v=MRrEEDziYAs>



Afterwards, I modified my goal to re-do my dots instead of documenting matches in RootsMagic.



And I can proudly say that I completed the process of redoing my 'dots' for my DNA test. Unfortunately, I still have 3 more DNA tests that have to be done.

While it sounds like I haven't been doing anything to accomplish my goals, some of what I've accomplished is very time consuming, including DNA dots. One project that I accomplished was to update the descendants of my fourth great grandparents, John Thompson and Sarah Iglehart. I've also been working on the descendants of James Evans and Sarah Garret. This particular family has proven to be a mess.

While I haven't made much progress on my 2023 goals, the statistics indicate that I have been busy.

## RootsMagic Progress

	Jan. 1, 2023	July 2, 2023
People	22,246	23,198
Families	7,404	7,703
Events	73,184	77,148
Places	9,729	10,347
Sources	5,635	5,841
Citations	26,475	27,629
Media Items	13,182	14,014

## Ancestry Tree

	Jan. 1, 2023	July 2, 2023
People	21,652	22,520
Photos	18,323	20,165
Stories	1,782	1,870
Records	22,024	23,581
People with hints	13,606	6,634
All Hints	115,327	50,827

In addition to updating my research and working toward my goals, I have been able to share my research via this blog on a daily basis.

While I likely will not complete many of my goals for 2023, I am learning a lot about my ancestral lines. And for me, that is the ultimate goal.

# William Evans Land

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 6, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: EVANS, WARRICK COUNTY INDIANA

When I first started searching Warrick county Indiana land records for my ancestor, James Evans, I found four men with the EVANS surname had patented land in Warrick County IN. At the time, the other three Evans (Robert, Henry and William) were a mystery. (See post: Mystery Evans) And they are still a mystery.

However, while transcribing deeds for William L. Evans, I found a clue that suggests he *might* be related to Henry H. Evans. When William L. Evans purchased land on the Ohio river from Joseph Vankirk, one of the witnesses was Henry H. Evans. While I continue to wonder whether these four EVANS men might be related, this is the first piece of evidence suggesting a possible relationship (or at least FAN club membership) between William L. Evans and Henry H. Evans. I also found four Ancestry trees showing these two men as brothers. While these trees contain quite a bit of documentation for Henry H. Evans and for his father, none of the sources were a will or other document that would connect William L. Evans to the family.

Below are the deeds I found in Warrick County Indiana for William.



*Warrick County Indiana  
Deed Records*

*Vol. 3 page 181*

*This Indenture made and entered into this twenty fifth day of June in  
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight between*

*Joseph Vankirk of the state of Kentucky of the one part and Wm L Evans of Warrick County Indiana of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of seven hundred dollars good and lawful money of the united States to me the said Vankirk in hand paid by the said William L. Evans the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and the said Evans his heirs and assigns is covenanted and discharged hath bargained and sold and do by these presents bargain sell alien release convey and confirm unto the said Wm L Evans his heirs and assigns forever all that piece or parcel of land situated lying and being in the county of Warrick and State of Indiana being the west half of the south west quarter of section twenty three township seven south of range eight west in the district of Lands offered for sale at Vincennes having a front on the margin of the Ohio River and containing seventy eight acres and one hundred and forty five poles to have and to hold the tract of land afore said with all and singular the privileges and appertanances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said Wm L Evans his heirs and assigns forever and said Vankirk for him self his heirs executors and administrators doth covenant and agree to and with the said Evans his heirs and assigns to warrant and forever defend the premises aforesaid with privileges and appertances there unto belonging or in any wise appertaining free and clear freely and clearly from all manor of claim or claims lawfully claiming there to from any person or persons claiming thereto forever In testimony whereof I the said Joseph Vankirk have here unto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written*

*Joseph Vankirk (seal)*

*Seald Signed*

*and Delivered in*

*presents of*



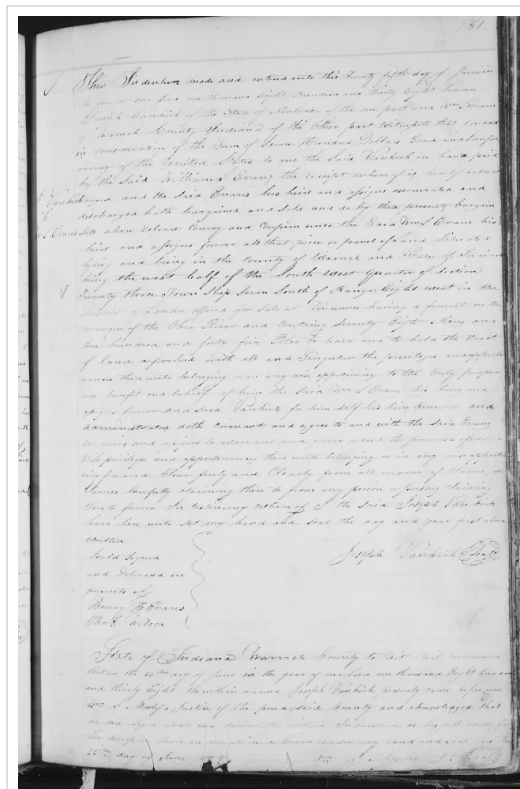
Henry H Evans

Thos Wilson

State of Indiana Warrick County to wit Be it remembered  
that on the 25th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred  
and thirty eight the within named Joseph Vankirk personally came before  
me

Wm L Justice of the peace of said County and acknowledged that  
he did sign seal and deliver the within Indenture as his act and for  
the purposes there in mentioned given under my hand and seal this the  
25th day of June 188

Wm S Mosely J. P. (seal)



Warrick County Indiana  
Deed Records

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*This Indenture made and entered unto this 2nd day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty five between Wm L Evans &*

*Nancy his wife of the one part and Felix Haverstram all of the county of Warrick*

*State of Indiana of the other part witnesseth that the said W. L. Evans & Nancy his wife for*

*and consideration of the sum of seventy five dollars to them in hand paid by the said*

*John Haverstran at and before the sealing and delivery hereof they do hereby acknowledge*

*and hereof acquit and forever discharge the said Felix Haverstran his heirs exeuctors administrators*

*&c and by these presents have granted bargained sold aliened and confirmed unto the said Felix*

*Haverstram his heirs & assigns for ever the following described lot or parcel of land situate lying*

*and being in the town of Alpha in Warrick County Indiana and designated out lot No (1) one*

*as will appear from an explanatory deed executed to us this day by Moses Clark.*

*Beginning at the southwest corner of said lot thence running east eight rods thence*

*north twenty rods thence west eight rods thence south twenty rods to the place of beginning*

*containing one acres less fifty feet on the east side of said lot which last above mentioned*

*part of said lot is not intended hereto be conveyed Together with all the rights privileges*

*and appurtenances thereunto belonging and the reversions remainds and profits*

*thereof and all the estate title and interest of the said W. L. Evans and*

*Nancy*

*his wife in law or equity in and to the same To have and to hold the lands hereby*

*conveyed with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to the only proper use*

*benefit and behoof of him the said Felix Haverstram his heirs and assigns forever*

*and it is the intent and meaning of this instrument that all the right title and quaranty in and to W. L. Evans by Moses Clark is hereby intended to be conveyed to the before described land conveyed to Felix Haverstrom & no more*

*In testimony whereof we the party of the first part have hereunto set our hand and affixed our seals the 2nd day of Septem*

*ber in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred & forty four*

*W. L. Evans (seal)*

*Nancy Evans (seal)*

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*State of Indiana*

*Warrick County to wit*

*Be it remembered the within named W. L. Evans and Nancy*

*his wife came this day before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the peace*

*for the county aforesaid and acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the within Indenture as*

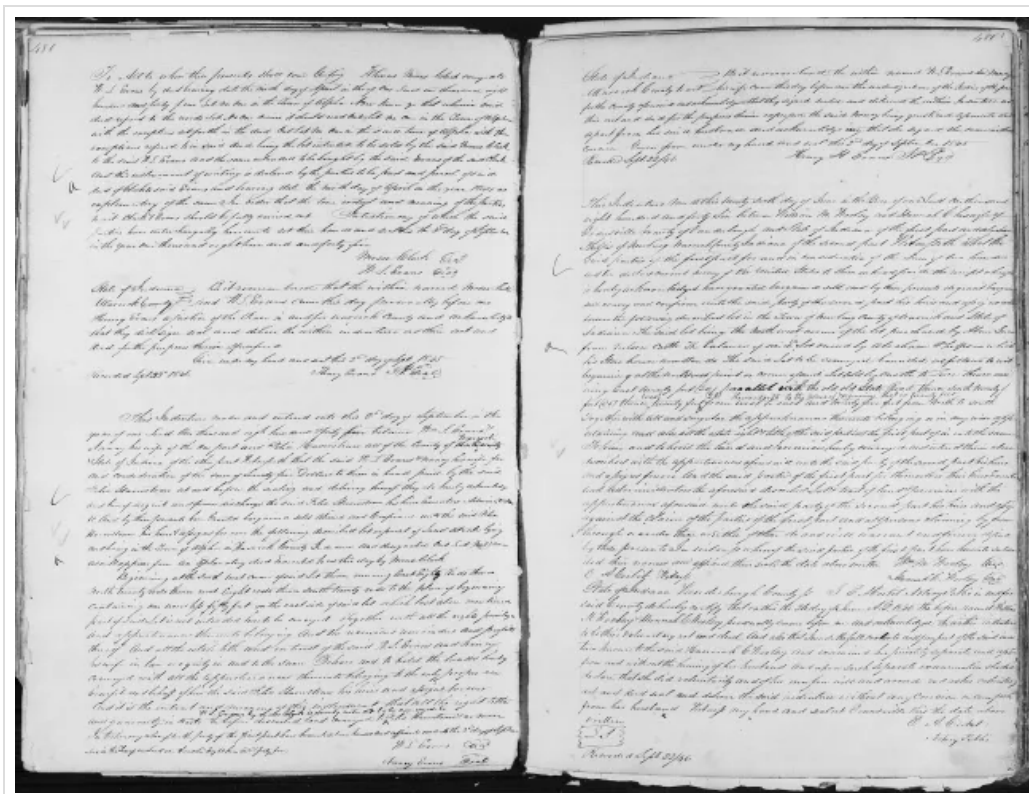
*their act and deed for the purposes therein expressed the said Nancy being questioned separate and*

*apart from her said husband and acknowledging that she signed the same without*

*coercion. Given fromunder my hand and seal this 2nd day of September 1845*

Henry H Evans JP (seal)

Recorded Sept. 22 / 66





# Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 7, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: BRILES

Buried in the notebook of BRILES items received from Mildred Barby are photocopies of obituaries. Since these may not be available online, I'm sharing one of them here.



## *Obituary*

### *Leonidas Harrison Briles*

*Leonidas Harrison Briles was born May 18, 1885 at Neodesha, Kansas to Nathan and Susan Hatler Briles, the second of eleven children. Only one remaining member of his immediate family survives, a sister, Mrs. Flossie Smith, of Lansing, Kansas. He died May 3, 192 at the Southwest Medical Center, Liberal, Kansas, at the age of 86.*

*On March 7, 1907 he was married to Elsie Miller in Liberal and she survives her husband. They were privileged to celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary this year. Mr. Briles came to Texas Count at the age of nineteen, taking up a relinquishment right on a claim left by the original and first settler, near Adams. He farmed and raised livestock until his retirement and moving in to Adams where he and his wife, Elsi, built their present home.*

*He was a member of the Methodist church at Union Center, east of Adams. His parents, both mother and father, were ordained ministries, and his grandfather Hatler was a Methodist minister, so he was early grounded in the Christian faith and firmly believed the Bible and its teachings. He exemplified this faith and belief in contacts with his fellow man He was saved when he was 16 and reaffirmed his faith in 1948.*

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*the Adams school, who had an English assignment to write about an oldster. Mr. Briles was chosen by Marylia Meggs for that interview. This kindly, humorous earthly advice he gave her was so interesting and entertaining. No generation gap there. He told of jokes, pranks and the difficult life of being a pioneer in a newly settled Panhandle County. His love of people, interest in all activities of his many friends were stressed. This class assignment was printed in the Adams school paper for patrons and pupils all to enjoy and profit from its Christian friendly attitude. Besides his wife, four daughters survive. They are: Mrs. Cecil (Lucille) Potter of Turpin, Matilda McAdams of Tyrone; Mildred Bailey of Hooker and Letta Mae Lollar of Gate, Oka.; three sons, Clyde and Forrest Briles both of Adams and Clelie Briles of Loveland, Colorado. Thirteen grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren, the sister already mentioned, a bevy of nieces and nephews, and a large circle of friends are left to honor his memory.*

*Rev Johnnie Briles of Denver, Colorado flew here Saturday to be here for the funeral of his uncle, Mr. L. H. Briles. He is a brother to Glen Briles and Willie Briles. Also his sister Emoline, who lives in Texhoma. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Adams Mennonite Brethern Church for another beloved pioneer of the Union Center Community, Mr. Lon H. Briles, 86.*

*He was a member of the Methodist church here. Mr. Briles filed on his homestead in 1905, 1 mile north of the Union Center church. He was married to Elsie Meller in 1907. TO them were born 7 children. They were Clyde, Forrest. Clellie, Lucille, Matilda, Lettie Mey and Mildred. They grey up in this community. Rev. Don Hull officiated at this funeral assisted by Rev. John Fleming, pastor of the Mennonite church. Burial was made in the Union Center Cemetery. Roberts Bros. Funeral Home was in charge. A large crowd attended the funeral of Mr. Lon Briles Saturday afternoon at the Mennonite Church. The community will miss Lon's smile, and cheerfulness yet we all know his suffering is over. Lon smiled, and was cheerful amidst his suffering up until the last. Surely his kindness was left to each of his friends to carry on.*



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# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 8, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier Tribune

24 Oct 1940

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

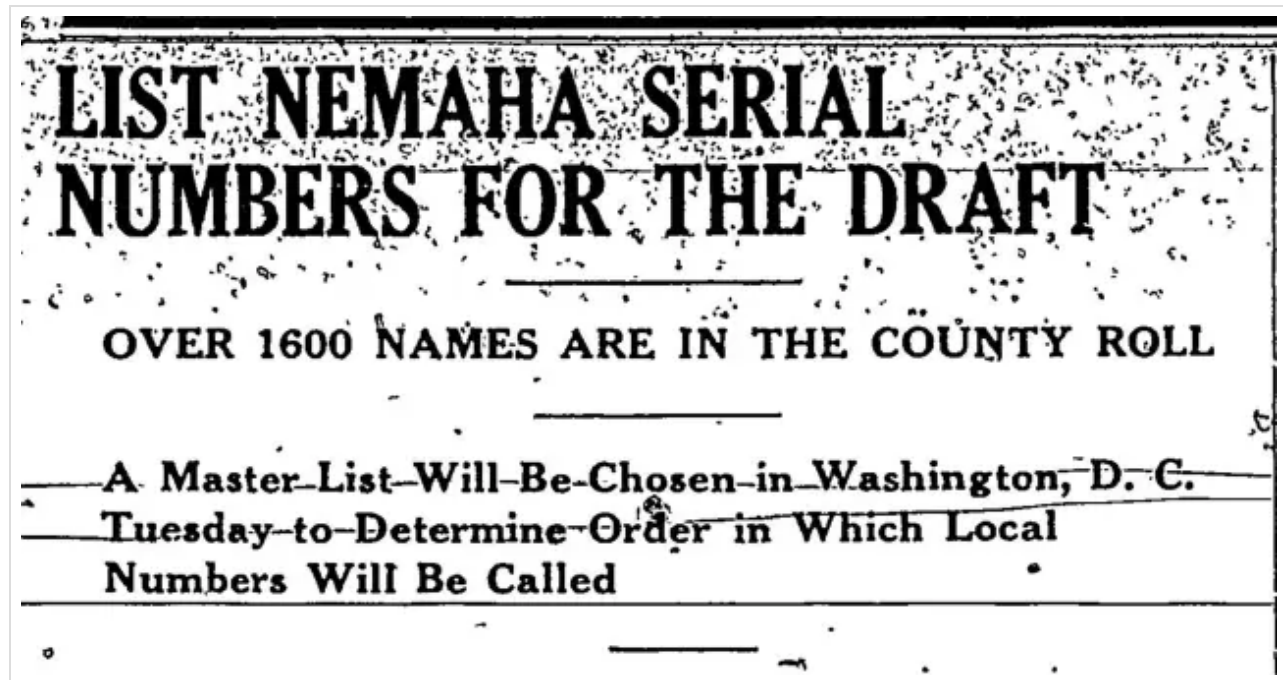
Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:



*continued from July 1, 2023*

- 851 Sylvester J. Stallbaumer Se
- 852 Victor Merle Krambill Be
- 853 Everett Kyle Noble Onei
- 854 Albert Siras Rokey Sa
- 855 Samuel George Payne Sa
- 856 Lawrence B. Dalsing Onei
- 857 Donald Williams Zubler Sa
- 858 Melvin Armstrong Noel Co
- 859 Edwin August Brokamp Se
- 860 Weldon Wesley Kendall Sa
- 861 Delbert C. Richards Go
- 862 Walter Elbert Walkington Sa
- 863 Edward Alvin Schmits Se
- 864 Ezra Ellsworth Steiner Sa

865 Dale Conger Darr Ce  
866 William B. Carroll Se  
867 Samuel Edelman Sa  
868 Alfred Leslie Ralston Sa  
869 Walter John Eisenbarth Co  
870 Herman Jos. Kuckelman Ax  
871 Kenneth R. Shockey We  
872 Edwin Joseph Kramer Se  
873 Joseph Clement Deters Ba  
874 Sylvester John Heinen Go  
875 Harmon Robert spiker Sa  
876 Lawrence Arnold Clay Ona  
877 Marcellus John Koch Ba  
878 Burch Freel Jerome Go  
879 Wayne Warren Zabel We  
880 John Anthony Houlton Ba  
881 Amos Clemens Ulmer Ax  
882 Jesse Irvin Wisdom Sa  
883 William Audley Sneed Se  
884 Francis Nickolas Werner Sa  
885 Albert Matthias Moynagh Se  
886 Carl Fred Tanking Ce  
887 Vernice V. McCaffrey Se  
888 Albert Henry Wessel Co  
889 Clarence Tulloch Casey Ve  
890 Edward George Lehman Sa  
891 Wayne L. McKinnie Sa  
892 Lloyd Noah Cooley Co  
893 Hwrbert Chas. Showman Sa  
894 John Theodore Barnes Sa  
895 William Henry Kranz, JR Ce  
896 Bruce Wilson Jones Sa

897 Eldred Allen Lowry We

898 Arthur Charles Thompson Se

899 George Joseph Holthaus Se

900 Harold O. Woolsoncroft Ve

*To be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 9, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

Thanks a bunch Randy and Linda for the recognition. But I **DEPEND** on Randy's blogging prompt to write my Sunday blog.

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

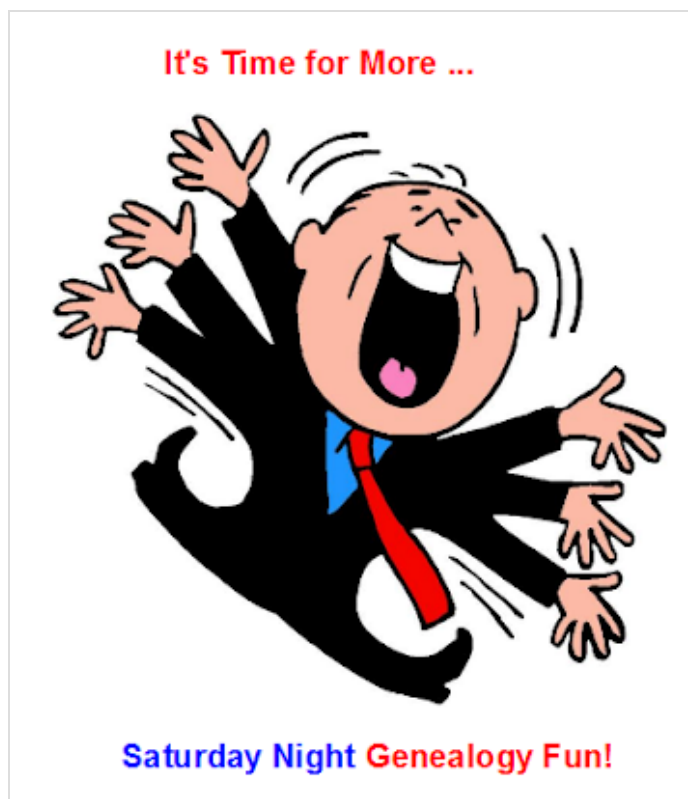
Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

**1) Marcia Philbrick wrote Goal**

**Update this week on her Heartland**

**Genealogy blog. Linda Stufflebean suggested this would be a good topic for SNGF.**

**2) What were your 2023 genealogy goals? How are you doing in achieving them?**



If you read my original post, you hopefully got the impression that I haven't made much progress on my 2023 goals. This is likely due to a few issues:

- I did not write my goals as 'Smart Goals' which may be impacting my focus.
- Some of my goals take too much time.
- Sometimes I struggle focusing.

Looking at my goals, my lack of progress and wanting to do better during the next six months, I think I need to re-define my goals following the guidelines for Smart Goals. I think the SMART goal format will help me because my goals will become

- Specific
- Measurable
- Achievable
- Relevant
- Time-Bound

All of my goals are relevant since they all relate to my genealogy research. And they are likely measurable — even if the measure is writing a blog post or updating WikiTree. They are also achievable — eventually. And it is that eventually that makes my current goals difficult to achieve since I lose focus.

To get over that 'eventually' hurdle that some of my goals have had, I'm going to try a practice that a fellow genealogist is using. In her case, she works on one ancestor a month. Since my original goal was to create research reports (narrative reports), I'm going to try working on one ancestral couple a week. With about 24 weeks left in the year, I should be able to work thru quite a few of my 4th great grandparents.

So my goal becomes

Work on updating my research for a 4th great grandparent couple (specific) for one week (time-bound) to create a narrative report (measurable) and a list of research questions to guide future research (measureable – relevant).



In the process of achieving this goal over the next 24 weeks, I also hope to continue achieving another ‘unwritten’ goal of mine: to post a blog post daily.

May we all achieve our 2023 goals and may our efforts help open holes in those brick walls.

# Threads

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 10, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SOCIAL MEDIA

Have you ever followed a single ‘thread’ of information that opened the door to even more information. That’s what I’m hoping will happen with the new social media app, Threads.

If you haven’t heard of Threads, it is Meta’s answer (think Zuckerberg and Facebook) to Twitter. I use Twitter (and Facebook) to get information. While I love the various genealogy groups on Facebook and learn a bunch from the users in those groups, I also turn to Twitter for information.

While I follow genealogists on Twitter, I also follow news outlets, reporters, and scientists. When Swine Flu hit in 2009, I became fascinated with the evolution and spread of the virus. Twitter was one way in which I was able to connect with scientists from around the world that were researching the impact of that virus. Thus, when the Sars-Cov-2 virus started infecting people in China, I was seeing tweets from these same sources about this new disease – way before Covid hit our news channels. As covid has evolved I’ve followed more and more researchers of this disease and those impacted by it.

Thus, my Twitter feed is a combination of genealogy, science, medicine, national news and faith. While several instances have indicated that the Twitter platform is floundering, I have continued to be a faithful user because the other platforms haven’t met my needs.

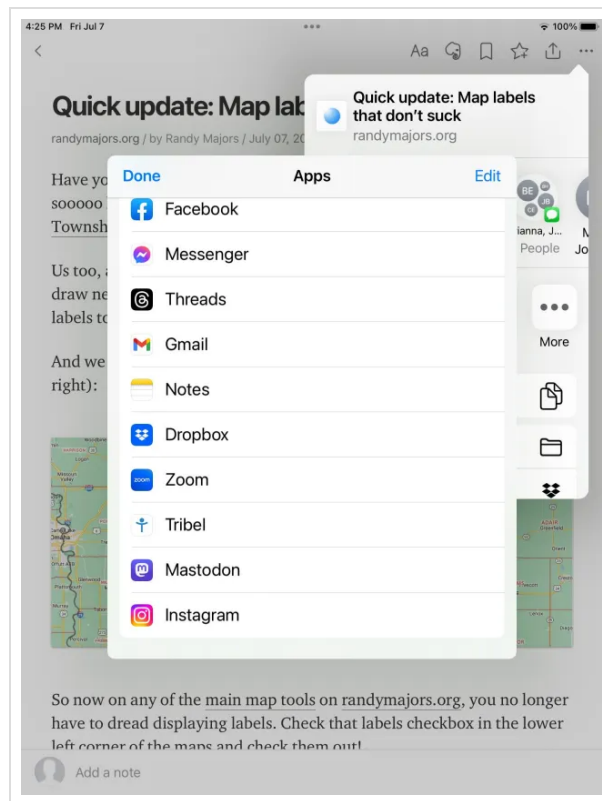
- connect with a variety of people from around the world
- searchable by topic — including Covid
- ability to share a blog read in Feedly
- ability to automatically share my blog posts (***now broken by Twitter***)

Sometime earlier this year, I created an account on Mastodon, but did not use it. At the time, I did not record what 'server' my account was on. This made it difficult for me to tell others about my account. I later moved my account to mastodon.social. While I have an account on Mastodon, I have NOT used it enough to feel comfortable with it. However, my feed is currently 'full' of genealogy news since that is the only users I've connected with on Mastodon.

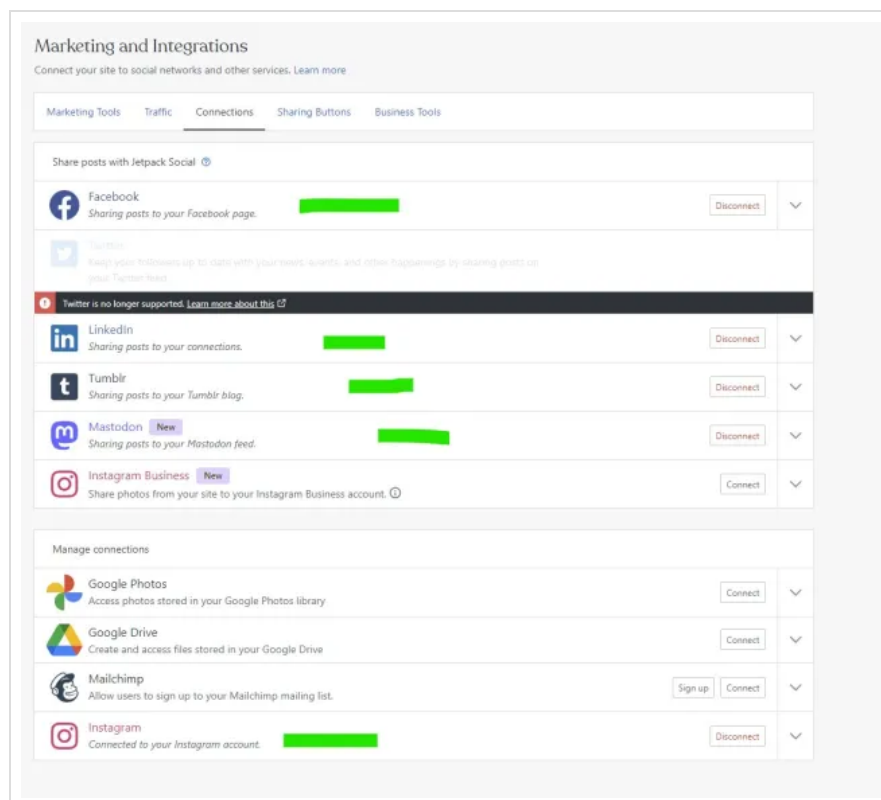
Another platform that is similar to Twitter is Tribel. While some of the users I follow on Twitter have accounts on Tribel, this platform does not seem to be very active. When I searched for posts about genealogy, I found very few. Since the results are not shown in reverse chronological order, it is hard to tell how much recent activity there is. Even the list of 'trending' posts only had a few for today.

And that brings us to the new Twitter option, Threads. Quite a few genealogists have accounts on Threads. And I've been able to locate many of the other Twitter accounts I follow in Threads. As I'm writing this (on Friday afternoon), Threads has a major downside when it comes to my usage: I cannot search by topic. When I put genealogy in the search field, it brings up lots of users with genealogy in their user name. However, it does not allow me to see a list of posts ABOUT genealogy.

So, how do these Twitter alternatives work with Feedly? As long as I have the appropriate app installed and logged in on the device where I'm reading Feedly, I can not only share the Feedly post to Twitter, but also to Mastodon, Tribel or Threads.



So what about sharing my stuff? Can I set up my blog to automatically share to these other platforms? While I had my blog configured to automatically post to Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Tumblr and Instagram, **Twitter is now broken**. While WordPress can't fix the Twitter issue, it has added Mastodon to the list of sites I can automatically submit my posts.



Hopefully, WordPress and Meta will work out an agreement to allow the automatic posting of WordPress blogs to Threads.

Based on my stated needs it looks like it is time to learn to use Mastodon and to keep checking Threads to see whether it will improve its search feature and allow a connection from WordPress.

So, I can be found on

- Facebook as Marcia Crawford Philbrick
- Twitter as mcphilbrick
- Mastodon as @mcphilbrick
- Tribel as @mcphilbrick (Marcia Philbrick)
- Instagram / Threads as mcphilbrick (Marcia Crawford Philbrick)

I won't promise to look at all of these platforms on a daily basis, but I will try.

# Threads Part 2

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 11, 2023

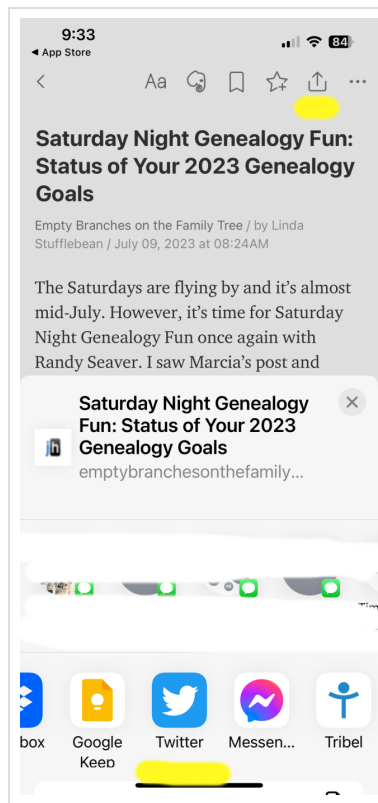
/ CATEGORIES: SOCIAL MEDIA

Whether it is Twitter, Threads, Mastodon or some other platform, I still want some of the features from Twitter.

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- searchable by topic — including Covid (with or without a hashtag)
- ability to share a blog read in Feedly
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For the past couple of days, I've been experimenting with sharing from my Feedly account. Since I typically read Feedly on my iPad, the iOS platform may be affecting my experience.

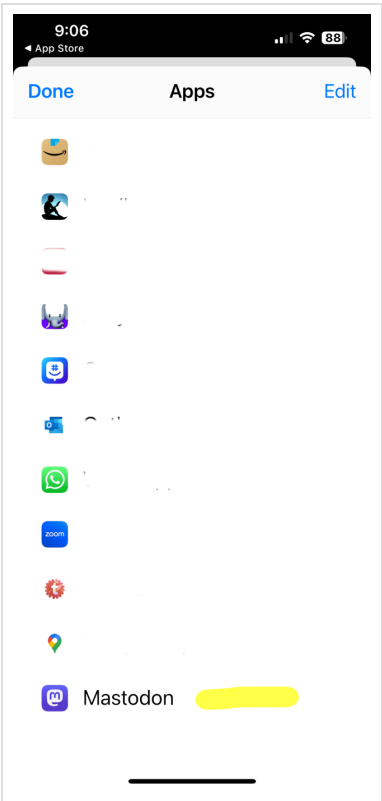
When I read a blog I like, I often share it on Twitter. I simply click on the up arrow share icon, select Twitter and then Tweet.



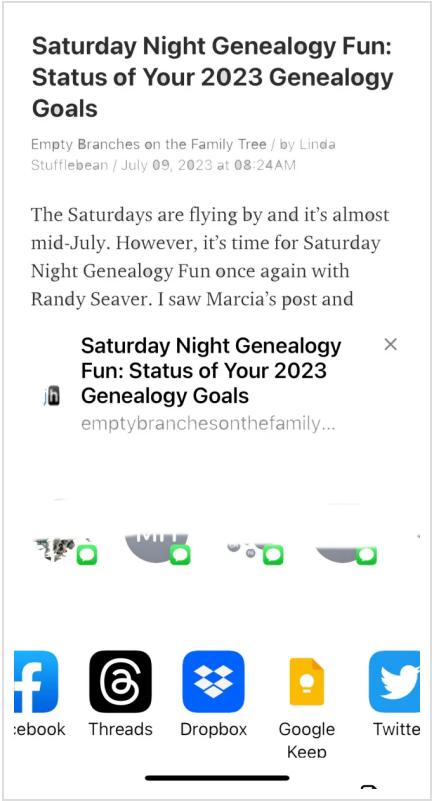
I've found that Tweeting blog posts in this way is a quick easy way for me to share what I consider the 'best' blogs each day.

With the move of many genealogists away from Twitter, these tweets are no longer reaching many in the genealogy audience. Thus, I've been trying to share these blogs on multiple platforms. To share on Mastodon, I have to click on More and then scroll thru my list of apps to locate Mastodon. Thus, there are additional steps involved for Mastodon.

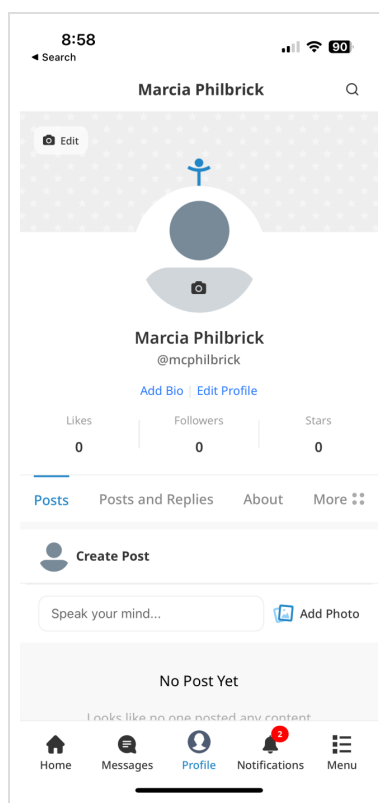




When I’ve tried sharing to Threads, it has usually locked up Feedly. Once I close Feedly and reopen, then I can share to Threads.



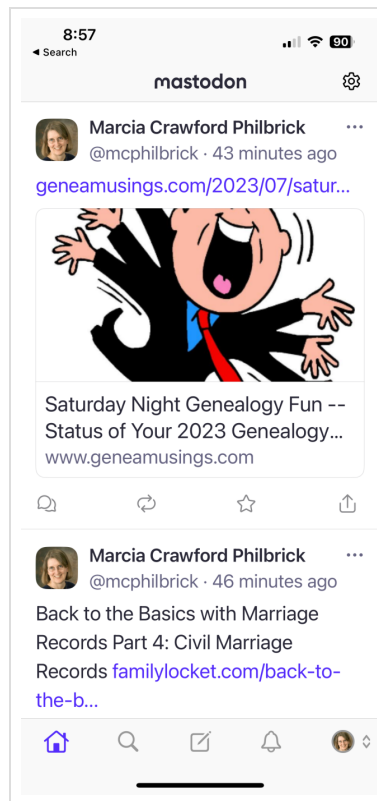
I've also tried sharing from Feedly to Tribel which seems to work the same way that Twitter does. However, when I go to the Tribel app, none of my posts show.



Even though Threads requires a 'reboot' of Feedly to share, my posts do appear on Threads.



Going to Mastodon, I also find my posts.

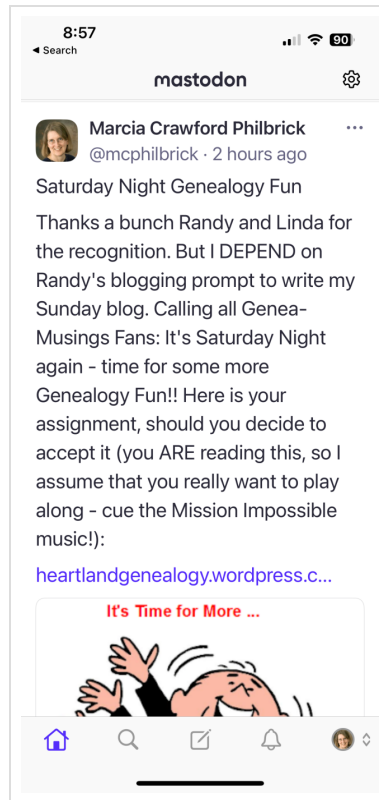


Even though Mastodon requires going to the More list, the process of sharing is very similar to Twitter (which I still use).



When it comes to my wish to share my own blog, Twitter fails simply because Twitter broke the connection. Thus, I have to remember to manually share my blog to Twitter.

However, my blog is being automatically shared to Mastodon.



At this point, I can't automatically share to Threads. Nor, can I search Threads by hashtag or even by a word to locate posts on a topic. While Threads may have quickly acquired a lot of genealogy users, these missing features will keep me from truly adopting Threads. My frustration with Threads was echoed in an article in FastCompany that is unfortunately appears to be behind a paywall: [Instagrams Threads is Unfortunetely Missing Many of the Features ...](#)

For now, I'm still a Twitter user. However, I will try to share on Mastodon and maybe Threads.

# Kennedy Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 12, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: KENNEDY, MADISON COUNTY NY

Have you ever found a will that connects one of your ancestors to their father only to discover that the FamilySearch tree is missing several of the children that are named in the will? Well that's what I found after transcribing the will of John Kennedy of Madison county, New York.

I found the will on Ancestry in their database, New York, U.S. Wills and Probate Records, 1659-1999, by looking at the leaf hints for John Kennedy. My third great grandmother, Mary Kennedy, is the wife of Ozias Wells. I have her father identified as John Kennedy and the will I found is definitely for the father of Mary Kennedy Wells.

”

*to my **daughter Mary** one hundred  
and fifty dollars for her own personal benefit the interest of which she can  
have  
annually and such parts of the principal as she may from time to time  
need for  
her own comfort but in no case is her present **husband Ozias Wells** to  
have the han  
dling or control of any part of either the principal or interest of the  
aforementioned  
sum*

I have the father, John Kennedy, connected to MGD6-SHB on FamilySearch. This John Kennedy is shown with five children: Mary, Betsy, Barnes, Charles and William.

**Family Members**

Show All Family Members

**Spouses and Children**

**John Kennedy**  
1767-Deceased • MGD6-SHB

**Anna Barnes**  
1775-1820 • L8ST-643

Marriage  
1806

**Children (6)**

- Mary Kennedy  
1799-1885 • 9V31-KKM
- Betsy Kennedy  
1802-1881 • LY9W-Z5X
- Achsah Kennedy  
1804-1845 • 273M-QSY
- Barnes Cannida or Kennedy  
1808-1890 • KCGQ-SSR
- Charles Kennedy  
1815-1872 • LYPM-5G1
- William Kennedy  
~1878 • G88K-8ZY

+ ADD CHILD

+ ADD SPOUSE

**Parents and Siblings**

**David Kennedy**  
1730-Deceased • MGD0-7MY

**Mary Campbell**  
1734-Deceased • MGD0-79N

Marriage  
10 January 1759  
Voluntown, New London, Connecticut, British Colonial America

**Children (5)**

- Robert Kennedy  
1761-1830 • LZLG-1T6
- Mary Kennedy  
1764-1817 • LZLB-131
- John Kennedy**  
1767-Deceased • MGD6-SHB
- Rebecca Kennedy  
1769-1842 • G35K-28C
- Rachel Kennedy  
1772-1853 • KZTJ-1GQ

+ ADD CHILD

+ ADD PARENT

The will, however, names the following children:

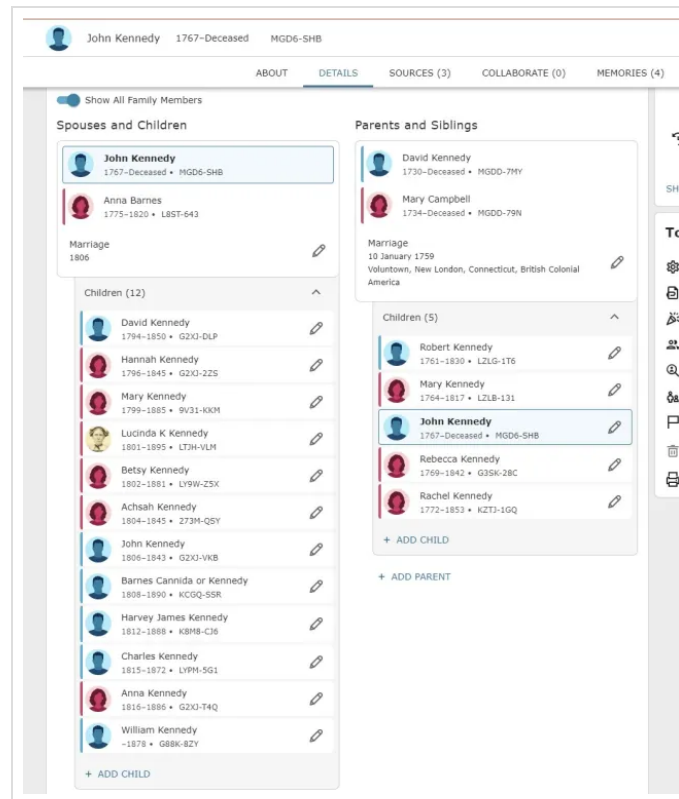
- Son – David
- Son – John
- Son – Barnes
- Son – William
- Son – Harvey (minor)
- Son – Charles (minor)
- Daughter – Hannah – spouse Cyrus Stewart
- Daughter – Mary – spouse Ozias Wells
- Daughter – Lucinda – spouse David Lindsay
- Daughter – Betsy – spouse George Wells
- Daughter – Achsay – spouse Chester Howland
- Daughter – Anna (minor)

That means there are seven children identified in the will that are not connected to the family on FamilySearch. While I tried finding the rest of the children as unconnected individuals (or connected to some other John Kennedy), I only came up with one additional child.

- Achsah Kennedy – 273M-QSY

Before adding the missing children, I added the will to the list of sources for John Kennedy and uploaded the images of the will and the transcription to John's memories.

I then used RootsMagic to begin adding the additional children to the family. In the process, RootsMagic suggested an unconnected, Lucinda K Kennedy. Thus, I was able to use her FS ID to add her to the family of John Kennedy. When I finished adding the children, the FS family now has the children named in the will.



This readily available will made it easy to not only document but to update the family on FamilySearch.

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*New York Wills*

*Ancestry*

*Volume A*

*page 65 (image 50 of 614)*

*(S8) The people of the state of New York To Jonas Brown of Sullivan in Madison County Greeting: Whereas David Kennedy executor named in*

*the last will & testament of John Kennedy late of Sullivan aforesaid deceased as is alleged intends to make application to Otis P Granger Surrogate of our county of Madison to have the same will proved before the surrogate & recor ded pursuant to the statutes of the state of New York. And whereas it has been made satisfactorily to appear that Harvey Kennedy, Charles Kennedy & Anna Kennedy heirs of the said John Kennedy deceased are minors. I therefor the said surrogate pursuant to the power invested by the said Statutes & of an order by me made & entered do hereby appoint you, the said Jonas Brown guar dian for the said minors to take care of their interest in the premises. Given under the hand & seal of office of said Surrogate, at Morrisville in said coun ty the 29 day of September 1831.*

*Otis P. Granger*  
*Surrogate*

*I John Kennedy of the town of Sullivan in the county of Madison and state of New York being of sound mind memory and understanding blessed by God for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say First I order and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid out of my personal estate and in case of a defi ciency of assets for that purpose I hereby authorise and empower my executor herein after named to sell and dispose of all or so much of my real estate as to*



make

up the deficiency of legal assets and to make and execute a deed or deeds for the parcels or parcel so sold and generally to do and perform all acts necessary

to effectuate my intention to pay said debts if required for that purpose out of

my real estate. Secondly, I hereby give devise and bequeath unto **my son David** one hundred dollars to **my son John** fifty dollars to **my sons Barnes**

**William and Harvey** one hundred dollars each and to **my son Charles** thirty dollars

to **my daughter Hannah** I give fifty dollars to **my daughter Mary** one hundred

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sum, to **my daughter Lucinda** two hundred dollars to **my daughter Betsy** one

hundred and fifty dollars to **my daughter Achsah** seventy five dollars and to

**my daughter Anna** twenty five dollars and in case her friends with whom she

resides do not give her a sum sufficient to make her on a par with my other

children, then it must be made up to her out of my property. The residue of my

estate after the payment of my debts as aforesaid is to be divided between

*my above  
named children in proportion to the sums set to each of their names  
respectively  
to have and to hold the same both real and personal to them their  
respective  
heirs and assigns forever. But the heirs above named are not to crowd the  
executor for their respective shares, but to give him a sufficient time to  
settle  
my estate and to dispose of my property to the best advantage so that  
there be  
no sacrifice made. I hereby appoint my son David Kennedy executor  
of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me  
at any time heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand  
and seal this eighteenth day of July in the year of Our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty one  
John Kennedy (S.S.) signed published  
and declared by the above named John Kennedy to be his last will and  
testament  
in presence of us who have hereunto respectively subscribed our names as  
witnesses  
Jonas Brown, Samuel Smalley, Jared Stocking  
“To the heirs at law of John Kennedy, late of the town of Sullivan in the  
county of Madison and state of New York, deceased and all others whom  
this notice may concern: You and each of you are hereby required to  
take notice that I shall apply to Otis P. Granger Surrogate of the County  
of Madison at his office in in said county on Tuesday the  
twenty fourth day of November next at one o clock in the afternoon  
to have the last will and testament of said John Kennedy deceased pro  
and recorded as a will of real estate. Dated September 29, 1838  
David Kennedy Executor of said will. State of New York  
city and county of Albany for Philo K Cale of the City of Albany being duly  
sworn says that he is foreman in the office of the Albany Argus and that  
the notice of which the annexed is a printed copy has been regularly*

*published in said Albany Argus once in each week for six weeks  
successfully commencing on the 11 da of October last part Philo K  
Cole sworn before me this 15 day of Nov 1831 Elias Warren Commissioner  
of deeds in and for the city of Albany. "We Cyrus Stewart & Hannah  
Stewart, Chester Howland & Ay Howland the said Hannah & Axy  
being children of John Kennedy deceased do hereby admit  
a copy of the above notice this 21 day of October 1831 Cyrus Stewart  
Hannah Stewart Chester Howland Achsah Howland  
County of Madison Surrogate court SS David Kennedy of Sullivan in said  
county being duly sworn says that he did more than twenty days since  
serve a copy of the above notice on Barnes Kennedy, Ozias Wells & Mary  
Wells his wife, George Wells & Betsey Wells his wife, David Lindsay &  
Lucinda  
Lindsay his wife by delivering to each of them personally a copy of said  
notice & this deponent further says that the said Barnes, Mary, Betsey  
Lucinda and Kennedy, Charles Kennedy, Anna Kennedy, William  
Kennedy, Hannah Stewart, Axy Howland , John Kennedy Jr & the  
deponent*

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*are the only heirs at law of the said deceased, that the said Harey Charles  
& Anna are minors who appear by their guardian Jonas Brown that the  
said*

*Hannah & Axy have been duly served with a copy of the above notice  
morehtan*

*twenty days since as will appear by their admission of service now  
produced*

*to this court & the said William & John Kennedy Jr whose places of  
residence were*

*unknown to this deponent have been served with a copy of said notice by  
the*

*publication of the same for six weeks successively prior to this time in the  
'state*

*paper & further this deponent says not. David Kennedy worn & subscribed*

*by the said David Kennedy before me this 24 of Nov 1831 in open court  
Otis P.*

*Granger Surrogate. I Jonas Brown, the special guardian of Harvey  
Kennedy, Charles Kennedy and Anna Kennedy minor children & heirs t  
law of*

*John Kennedy deceased do hereby admit that I have been served with a  
copy*

*of the above notice on my as guardian aforesaid more than twenty days  
since*

*dated Nov 24 1831 Jonas Brown In presence of Otis P. Granger Surrogate  
County of Madison*

*Surrogate court SS In the matter of proving the last will of the real estate  
of JOhn*

*Kennedy late of Sullivan in said county deceased David Kennedy of  
Sullivan*

*in said county being duly sworn deposes & says that the said John  
Kennedy died*

*in the town of Sullivan in said county on or about the 28 day of August  
last*

*past that at the time of his death he was an inhabitant of the county of  
Madison in the state of New York & further say not David Kennedy  
sworn & subscribed by the said David Kennedy in open court before me  
this*

*24 day of November 1831 Otis P. Granger surrogate County of Madison  
Surrogate court SS In the matter of proving the last will of the real estate  
of John Kennedy late of Sullivan in said county deceased Jonas Brown  
of Sullivan in said county one of the subscribing witnesses to the last will  
&*

*testatment of the said John Kennedy deceased in his life time subscribed  
the instrument now shown unto him this deponent which said instrument  
purports to be the last will & testament of the said deceased bearing date  
the*

*eighteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
& thirty one that he heard him the said John Kennedy deceased publish*

*& declare the same to be his last will & testament. That at the time whereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind & memory of full age & not under any restraint & that he this deponent together with Samuel Smalley & Jared Stocking the other subscribing witnesses to the said will did severally subscribe their names as witnesses thereunto in the presence of the said testator & of each other & at the request of the said testator & further say not Jonas Brown Sworn & subscribed by the said Jonas Brown in open court before me tis 24 day of November 1831 Otis P Granger Surrogate County of Madison Surrogate Court SS In the matter of proving the last will & testament of the real estate of John Kennedy, late of Sullivan, in said county deceased is Samuel Smalley of Sullivan in said county another subscribing witness to the last will & testament of the said John Kennedy deceased in his life time subscribed the instrument now shown unto him this deponent which said instrument purports to be the last will & testament of the said John Kennedy deceased bearing date the eighteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred & thirty one that he heard him the said deceased publish & declare the same to be his last will & testament that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound..*

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*disposing mind & memory of full age & not under any restraint & that he this deponent together with Jonas Brown & Jared Stocking the other subscribing witnesses to the said will did severally subscribe their names as*

witnessses

thereunto in the presence of the said testator & of each other & at the request of the

said testator & further says not. Samuel Smalley Sworn & Subscribed by the said Samuel Smalley in open court before me this 24 day of Nov

1831. Otis P Granger Surrogate. County of Madison Surrogate Court SS

IN the matter of proving the last will of the real estate of John Kennedy late of

Sullivan in said county deceased. Jared Stocking of Sullivan in said county

another subscribing witness to the last will & testament of the said John

Kennedy deceased being duly sworn deposes & says that he saw the said

John Kennedy deceased in his life time subscribed the instrument now shown

unto him this deponent which said instrument purports to be the last will &

testament of the said John Kennedy bearing date the eighteenth day of July

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ment that at the time whereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind

& memory of full age & not under nay restraining & that he this deponent

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thereto in the presence of the said testator & of each other & at the request of

*the said testator & further says not Jared Stocking sworn & subscribe*  
*by the said Jared Stocking in open court before me this 24th day of Nov. 1831 Otis P Granger Surrogate signed*  
*Otis P. Granger Surrogate*  
*I certify that the preceding will of John Kennedy late of Sullivan in Madison County deceased of which the preceding is a copy was duly proved before me as a will of real*  
*estate & tat the same together with the proof whereof was recorded in*  
*this Book of Wills & the Record signed by me this 24 day of November 1831*  
*State of New York*  
*Madison County*  
*Be it remembered that at a Surrogates court held*  
*at the Surrogates office in Morisville in & for said county on the twenty fourth*  
*day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty one*  
*before Otis P. Granger Surrogate of the said county the last will & testament*  
*of John Kennedy late of Sullivan in said county deceased of which the preceding*  
*is a copy was admitted to probate after a citation to the widow & next of kin*  
*to the said deceased issues returned & filed according to law*  
*Whereupon at the peace & on the day aforesaid Jonas Brown Samuel Smally*  
*& Jared Stocking the subscribing witnesses to the said will after having*  
*been duly sworn by me the said surrogate testified that they saw the said*  
*John Kennedy deceased in his life time subscribe the instrument shown*

*unto them which said instrument purported to be the last will & testament of the said deceased bearing date the 18 day of July 1831 that they heard him the said deceased publish & declare the same to be his last will & testament that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind & memory*

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*of full age 7 not under any restraint & that they did respectively subscribe their names as witnesses to the said willing the presence of the said testator & of each other & at the request of the said testator — Whereupon I the said surrogate upon the proof aforesaid being satisfied of the genuinness & validity of the said will order that the said will be admitted to probate & that letters testamentary thereon be issued to the executor is said will named after the of thirty days form the time of taking the proof aforesaid on his taking the oath of office prescribed by law*

*Otis P Granger*

*Surrogate*

**NEW YORK, WILLS AND PROBATE RECORs, 1659-1999, JOHN KENNEDY, 21 OCTOBER 1831; DIGITAL IMAGES, ANCESTRY.COM (WWW.ANCESTRY.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 26 JUNE 2023). ORIGINAL SOURCE: NEW YORK SURROGATE'S COURT.**





# Beekman Patent Kennedys

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Have you ever used a resource that give the genealogy of the families that settled an area? While I've used books that trace the descendants of an individual, I don't know that I've used a book that is a compilation of descendancy information for settlers. Even when I think of those who settled the Germanna colonies, the associated books are for individual surnames.

While researching my Kennedy ancestors, I stumbled across the mention of a set of books about the people who settled Beekman's Patent in Dutchess County, New York. The Wikipedia article for Dutchess county provides a little background on the various royal land patents, including the 1705 Beekman patent. The website, [Settlers of the Beekman Patent](#), provides additional information about the series of books that contains historical records and genealogies of the original settlers of the Beekmap patent. While the books in this series are listed in the FamilySearch catalog and on a WikiTree page, they are searchable on AmericanAncestors (\$). Thanks to AmericanAncestors, I was able to locate the KENNEDY family information in volume 7.



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## THE SETTLERS OF THE BEEKMAN PATENT VII

## THE KENNEDY FAMILY

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<sup>1</sup> He may be son of Alexander Kennedy of Plympton, MA who left son William. The son William was living Plympton in 1723/4. See [BT](#) #240, 13 Nov. 1922.

<sup>2</sup> My thanks to John F. Polhemus of Calabash, NC for help on this family.

<sup>3</sup> [AD](#) # 5643, 4831, 4832.

<sup>4</sup> *History and Map of Danby, Vermont*. 1869, p. 10.

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vi. Temperance, b. 28 Nov. 1735

vii. Hannah, b. 28 Oct 1737; ?m. Joseph Campbell. at Voluntown

3. viii. Hugh, b. 6 Jan. 1739; m. \_ Briggs ix. Rachel, b. 21 Jan. 1741; m. William Edmunds 23 June 1763 at Voluntown (5) x. Abigail, b. 21 Jan. 1741/2 xi. Alexander, b. 20 July 1745; m. Mary \_

4. David (3) Kennedy, (Hugh (2), William (1)), was born 6 July 1730 in Voluntown, CT and m. there 10 Jan 1759 Mary, b. 19 Aug. 1734, dau. of Rev. Robert and Mary (McMains) Campbell. He served in the Revolution from Voluntown and was 5 days at the Lexington Alarm in April 1775. He sold his land in Voluntown and was 5 days at the

*Lexington Alarm in April 1775. He sold his land in Voluntown Oct. 1772 and on 19 Oct 1778 he sold his gristmill to Robert Campbell. A David Kennedy was in Voluntown in 1790 at 3-3-4 between John Dixon Jr. and Samuel Stuart. Children:*

*i. Robert, b. 20 Jan. 1761. A Robert Kennedy was in Canajoharie town, Montgomery Co., NY in 1790 at 2-2-6 between William Ferguson and John Ferguson. A Robert Kennedy and wife Elizbeth \_\_\_ had son David b. 14 Nov. 1790 at Churchtown, Columbia Co., NY. A David Kennedy married Rebecca Cole 1814 at Albany First Lutheran.*

*5. ii. Hugh, b. 30 Sept. 1762, m. Sarah Thornton.*

*iii. Mary, b. 21 Dec. 1764*

*iv. John, b. 1 Feb. 1767*

*v. Rebecca, b. 5 June 1769; m. 1st William Green 6 Dec 1789 at Voluntown, 2nd Elias Keigwin 3 Jan. 1797.*

*vi. Rachrl, b. 3 March 1772*

*6. Hugh (3) Kennedy, (Hugh (2), William (1)), was born 6 Jan. 1739, probably at Voluntown, CT and came to Charlotte Precinct, DC by 1765 or so but was only taxed there 1778-79. He was a tenant and was involved in a legal action from 1767-69 in Charlotte with DeLaverne and Ricketson. He borrowed £6 on 7 Sept. 1767 from Samue Badgley. . Huch Kennedy dealt on the account of John Scott at the Mabbett store in Charlotte, DC 20 Jan. 1774. . He was in the Dutchess County jail for debt and escaped 6 Sept 1771. The paper noted he was age 30. .*

*He removed to Pauling by 7 Sept. 1786 when he and a number of other men from Pawling petitioned the State Legislature fore allegedly untitled lands in the*

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*Oblong. . After the death of his father-in-law, Ebenezer Briggs, he probably moved onto the Briggs farm in Washington town where he was in 1790 at 1-3-2 between James Mott and Samuel Davis.*

*Hugh Kennedy married a dau. of Ebenezer and Abigail (Wickham) Briggs*

of Washington town, DC. . Letters were granted to Hugh Kennedy of Pawling, son-in-law to Ebenezer Briggs, late of Washington Town 26 April 1788. Hugh Kennedy and Theodorus Bailey, executors of Ebenezer Briggs, farmer of Washington town, dec'd, sold 2 parcels of land to John Thorne of Ulster CO., NY 18 Jan. 1791. .

Hugh Kennedy is not found in NYS in 1800 in the proper age group.

Children: (none proven)

i. ?Hugh Jr. Hugh Kennedy was in Troy, Rensselaer Co., NY in 1800 at 0-1-1-0 and 0-0-0-1-0 between Cornelius Oothout and Joseph Bovie. He was possibly the man who witnessed the will of Benjamin Gifford which was written at Schaghticoke, Rensselaer Co., NY 27 Jan. 1821.

ii. ?Gideon. Gideon Kennedy was in Payling in 1790 at 1-1-1 between Simeon Cummins and Martin Preston. Gideon Kennedy offset charges wqith James Bradshaw at the Duncan store in Dover 14 July 1792. On 4 Sept. 1792 he charged a bushel of rye and 2 milk pans to the account of Silas Ray, 8 chillings. HE paid his account with £1/9/4 cash 7 Feb. 1801. (DCSB E:287, 346; I:124]. He was in Pawling in 1800 at 11-0-1-0 and 2-0-0-1-0 between David Preston and Abel Rust but not found in 1810 in NY or surrounding states. Administration of the estate of (a) Gideon Kennedy of Lysander, Onondago Co., NY was granted to son Dennis Kennedyd 10 September 1827. .

iii. ?Ebenezer B. (6) Ebenezer B. Kennedy married Margaret McKee 26 Jun 1807 and they had son Washington Franklyn bp. 2 Dec. 1810 and dau. Ann Eliza bp. 2 May 1813, both at Fishkill. . Ebenezer Kennedy married Elizabeth Ketcham 16 Dec. 1826 at Rombout Presbyterian in DC.(7) . High Kennedy sold land in Hadley, Saratoga Co., NY to Chester Ryther in 1824. He died in Montgomery Co. 25 March 1835.

Children:

i. Robert, b. ca. 1797; d. 7 April 1835.

ii. Roxanna, b. ca. 1802

iii. David., b. ca. 1807; died 31 March 1836

Other and Unplaced Kennedys

*\_ Kennedy was noted as a boundary in a mortgage of 1 June 1812 in Dover. . Kennedy married Agnes, dau. of Moses Campbell of Paris, Oneida CO., NY who wrote his will 31 January 1821. .*

*Kennedy married Mary, dau. of William Gibson of Bergen, Genesee CO., NY who wrote his will 8 July 1819. Also named: William Kenedy and Robert G. Kenedy. .*

*\_ Kennedy married Mercy, dau. of David Comstock who wrote his will 11 April 1827 at Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY. .*

*Alexander Kennedy was in Salem, Washington CO., NY in 1790 at 1800 at 1-1-2 and Neil Kennedy was one away from him. He was in Argyle, same county in 1800 at 1-1-0-0-1 and 1-1-0-1-0 between William Conway and Abraham Townsend. Neil Kennedy was next to Townsend. Alexander Kennedy of Argyle, Washington Co., NY wrote his will 26 December 1816; proved 5 February 1817. He named wife Sybel; sons: Alexander, James and John; daus.: Catherine Robertson, Sally, and Margaret Kennedy. His son John and John Robinson were executors. .*

*A guardian for Alexander Kennedy age 20 of Middleburgh, Schoharie Co., NY was in court 9 February 1826. .*

*Allen Kennedy m. Rebecca Lane who was b. 1797. She m. as his 3rd Abijah Patchen. Rebecca Kennedy, widow of Allen Kennedy, died 14 April 1884 age 89 years and was buried in the East Mountain Ground, town of Dover, DC. Allen Kennedy died 14 April 1883, age 39-2-6 and was buried with his presumed mother and probable brother David L. Kennedy who died 7 April 1871, age 40 years.*

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*David L. was married to Irene \_ and probably also to Jennett, all buried in the East Mountain Ground in Dover.*

*Allen Kennedy was in Dover in 1850 age 28 and his wife Frances was age 28 also. Presumed children in the household were: (all Kennedy), Henrietta, age 7, Erben I., age 6, Elizabeth, age 4, Franklin, age 6 months. (9)*

*Allen Kennedy was a customer at the Titus store in Dover. .*

*Dr. Thorn of New Hackensack, DC, noted "widow Alshe Kennedy*

*in his ledger ca. 1787.*

*Alvah Kennedy granted administration of estate of PEter Laurence of Marcellus, Onondago Co., NY 17 October 1823. .*

*Aly Kennedy, the widow Van Ambrugh, married James Stevens 31 Aug. 1788 at NHRCh in DC.*

*Administration of estate of Angus Kennedy of Ontario Co., NY granted to John Kennedy 29 November 1814. .*

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*Anthony Kennedy had a Lieutenant's Warrant from Gov. Brown and had lateley come from New York when he was brought before the ConC 31 Dec. 1776 as a prisoner. He was admitted to his parole for three days. He must have subsequently been jailed because he escaped form the Guard House as reported to the ConC 7 March 1777. .*

*Benjamin Kennedy married Sarah Losee 19 Dec. 1797 at Fishkill. . He was dec'd by 30 July 1806 when Sarah Losee, widow of Kennedy bp. in Hopewell a dau. Sarah Ann Hegeman who was b. 17 March 1805. .*

#### *Children:*

*i. Abraham Losee Kennedy, b. 19 Nov., bp. 23 Dec 1798 at NHRCh*

*ii. Hannah, b. 16 June, bp. 13 July 1800.*

*iii. Jane, b. 8 Aug., bp. 26 Sept. 1803 at same.*

*Charles Kennedy m. Hannah, dau. of Egbert Bogardus of Fishkill before 8 April 1806. .*

*Administration of estate of Daniel Kennedy of Paris, Oneida Co., NY granted to John Campbell 29 October 1828. .*

*Eliza Kennedy married 10 April 1796 to Granville Smith, probably near Poughkeeps. .*

*George Kennedy of Marcellus, Onondago CO., NY wrote his will 24 June 1826; proved 8 September 828. He named wife Mina; sons: Lewis, Alvah and George;*



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daus.: Charlotte Green, Isabella Bailey, Julia Ann Sweet, Sabrina wells, Electa Curtis and Alhelinda. . George Kennedy and wife MIndwell (sic) of Milton, Saratoga Co., NY Sold land to ELisha Powell of same 1816.

Henry Kennedy of Steuben CO., NY wrote his will 21 April 1820; proed 6 May 1820. Henamed wife Anne; sons: James, William, Hiero; daus.: Anne, Sarah and Dala. .

Hugh Kennedy Jr. was an original subscriber tot he Susquehanna Company's Wyoming settlement dated at Windham CT 18 July 1753.

Thomas Kennedy Jr. was the same. They both paid \$2 subscription.

Hugh Kennedy was in Menhallen township, Adams Co., PA in 1810 at O-O-1-O-O and O-1-O-O-O between Adam Plumb and John Neely.

Hugh Kennedy was in Elizabeth township, Allegheny Co., PA in 1810 at O-O-1-O-1 and O-1-O-O=1 Isaac Webb and Hugh Kennedy Jr.

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James Canady (sic) was in Jay, Essex Co., NY in 1800 at 2-1-O-O-1 and 2-O-1-1-O between Joseph Hall and Jonathan Page.

James Kennedy of Ontario Co., NY wrote his will 13 November 1798; proved 28 December 1798. He named wife Mary; sons: Robert, Samuel and John; daus. Jean wife of George Turnbull, Elizabeth wife of John McDougal and Mary wife of James Kennady..

James Kennedy married Rachel, sister of Thomas King of Warwick, Orange Co., NY who wrote his will 15 June 1803.

James Kennedy of Schenectady, Schenectady Co., NY wrote his will 18 March 1818; proved 18 February 1820. He gave John Dratt land and appointed him executor.

Dr. James Kennedy, named in the will of Barnhardt Hurd of Herkimer, Herkimer Co., NY who wrote his will 9 August 1810.

John Kenneda (sic 10) and wife Maritje Van Vliet had son Jacobus b. 5 Sept., bp. 29 Sept. 1768 at Minisink, NY with sp. Jacobs Van Vliet and Antje Swartwout. They had son Thomas Kenedy bp. there 22 June 1783.

John Kennedy of Ulster CO., NY wrote his will 22 December 1808; proved 11 March 1809.

*John Kennedy, age 40, a cooper born in Ireland was in a Colonial Muster in Dutchess Co. 12 Jun 1762. He was 6 feet tall and in Lieut. Whelpley's company. . John Kennedy was in Rombout as early as 1757. He and wife Mary \_ had two children bp. inf Fishkill.*

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*Children: (11)*

*i. Henry, bp. 27 Jun 1757. On 24 Sept. 1782 Samuel Gibbs of Rombout mortgaged two parcels o land to Henry Kennedy, yeoman, of Rombout for £200. Letters of administration on the estate of Henry Kennedy were issued in Cayuga Co., NY to Lucinda Kennedy 13 Feb. 1833.(12) He is not found in NYS in 1790.*

*ii. Sarah, bp. 27 Jun 1757*

*John Kennedy of Ovid, Seneca Co., NY wrote his will 11 February 1813; proved 4 March 1813. He named wife Isabel; sons: William John and Jaems; daus.: Betsey, Polly, Jennet, Sally and Nancy. .*

*John Kennedy of Washington CO., NY granted administration of estate of Ephraim Allen of Salem, Columbia Co., NY 7 March 1815. .*

*John M. Kennedy of Coeymans, Albany Co., NY (Veteran of 6th Rgt. Infantry) wrote his will 27 July 1813; proved 6 February 1816 at Murray, Genesee Co., NY. He mentioned nephews Joseph Kennedy, Albert Barnes and Alanson Scofield, plus several of their children.*

*Lucretia Kennedy, b. 28 April 1773 at Voluntown, CT m. Robert Harris. . Mary Kennedy married Peter Outwater 18 Dec. 1794 at Fishkill and they had (Outwater) children:*

*i. James, b. 27 March, bp. 1 June 1800*

*ii. Eliza, b. 29 Aug, bp. 12 Sept 1802, both at Fishkill. .*

*iii. Alletta, b. 10 Jan, bp. 7 Feb. 1796.*

*iv. Gitty, b. 12 Jan., bp. 8 April 1798, both at NHRCh.*

*Micah Cannady (sic) late of town of Groton, Tompkins Co., NY, died, leaving son Francis who was age 14 on 26 June 1818 and Micah Cannady*

*was appointed guardian 18 Jan. 1819.*

*Susan Maria Kennedy, dau. of Joshua Ferris and wife of Dr. Kennedy, died 22 July 1823 in Spencer, Tioga Co., NY, age 22. .*

*Administration of estate of Richard Kennedy of Niagara Co., NY granted to Betsey Kennedy 7 December 1824. .*

*Thomas Kennedy married Engeltie Becker 21 Nov. 1778 at Schaghticoke Reformed. . They had children bp. at SRCh.*

*i. James, b. 15 Jan 1777 and bp. with Sp. David Becker and Geertie Uziele*

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*ii. Geertrui, b. 1 Sept.s 1778 and bp. with Sp. David Becker Jr. and Knelia Becker*

*iii. Eleanor, b. 9 April 1779 and bp. with Sp. Robert Kennedy and Engeltie Vrooman*

*iv. A child (not named) b. 1781 and bp. with Sp. David Becker and Geertrui Uziele*

*v. Annatie, b. 2 Sept. 1782 and bp. with Storm Becker Jr. and Annatie Becker*

*vi. David, B. 12 June 1784 and bp. with Sp. Adam Vrooman and Jannetje Uziele.*

*Guardian appointed for ch. of Thomas Kenedy (U.S. Army) of Richmond, Ontario Co., NY 11 Dec 1818. /.*

*Thomas Kennedy was a prisoner in NYC 22 Dec 1777. He had fled form NYC and was jailed in Bergen CO., NJ .*

*Thomas Canada (sic) and wife Maria had dau. Elisabeth b. 29 March, bp. 27 May 1792 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Rhinebeck, DC with Sp. Petrus Kool and Elisabeth Plug.*

*Thomas Kennedy and wife Dorothy of Milton, Saratoga Co., NY sold land to Joel Mann of same 7195.*

*William Kennedy and wife Prudence make report on estate of Henry Mathews of Johnstown, Montgomery Co., NY 12 November 1808. . (13)*

*Endnotes:*

- 1. He may be son of Alexander Kennedy of Plympton, MA who left son William. The son William was living Plympton in 1723/4. See BT #240, 13 Nov. 1922.*
- 2. My thanks to John F. Polhemus of Calabash, NC for help on this family.*
- 3. AD #5643, 4831, 4832*
- 4. History and Map of Danby, Vermont, 1869, p. 10*
- 5. See our Edmonds/Edmunds family in SBP IV.*
- 6. He would be named for his gr.-father, Ebenezer Briggs.*
- 7. Rec. 1939:76*
- 8. Aaron Stark Genealogy, 41.*
- 9. The name Franklyn may indicate a relationship to Ebenezer B. Kennedy who had son Franklin*
- 10. Minisink Valley Reformed Dutch Church Records, 1716-1830, NYG&BS 1913.*
- 11. Records of St. George's church, Hempstead, LI. Rec. 1879:137*
- 12. CavCW LofA 2:127-8.*  
*13 57 revisions, 11.5 hours.*

# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 14, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO

In my FOSTER file is a photocopy of some of the pages from the book, State Centennial History of the County of Ross (Ohio) about the FOSTER family in Ross County. Unfortunately, I don't have a photocopy of the title page.



*State Centennial History of the County of Ross (Ohio) vol. 2*  
*Gateway Press, c1981*

*Call # (likely KS Hist Soc)*  
*977.11*  
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*page 308*

*It is known that Rev. John Foster, and his brother Thomas. were the first white settlers within the limits of Franklin township. These were sons of John Foster, sr., who settled in Piketon, in the year 1798, the sons selecting their home in Franklin the same year. They were natives of Maryland. Others of the family emigrated to the county, from time to time, and this became a numerous and prominent family in the early days of settlement. The first election held in the township was ordered at the house of Benjamin Fos-*

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*ter, a member of this family. Rev. John Foster was the first preacher in the township, and a zealous Methodist who was active in establishing the*

*church in the wilderness. He was a captain in the war of 1812, and a useful and honored citizen in later life. There were five brothers of the parent stock of the Foster family in Ross county — Thomas, John, Benjamin, Joseph and Richard. According to the "Pioneer Record of Ross County," the last named of these was the first settler of Franklin township, other authorities giving this honor to John and Thomas. But it is a matter of little moment, since, in either case, the distinction belongs to the Foster family.*

*Col. John Foster, son of Thomas, was born in Franklin township, August 4, 1801, and spent his entire life on the farm where he was born, and more than seventy years in the same house. He was a practical and successful farmer, not caring for political honors, a high achieving some distinction both in civil and military life. He was colonel of a militia regiment for some years, and a representative in the legislature in 1848. He held various township offices, and was appointed associate judge of Ross county, a distinction which he ignored by resigning the office soon after his election. Colonel Foster had a family of nine children: Joseph William R., Mary (Davis), Thomas, Jane (Davis), John W., James P., Samuel D., and Rebecca Ann. The last named son was an officer in the civil war, attaining the rank of major. It is said that the father and grandfather of Colonel Foster were the first white men who ascended the Scioto river in a canoe.*

*Thomas C., son of Colonel Foster, had a family of six children who lived to years of maturity. These were Martha, Hannah, James C., William . John and George. While they were all highly respected and upright citizens, one in particular, deserves more than passing notice. Reference is made to Maj James C. Foster, who achieved distinction in his young manhood days, as a soldier in defense of the Union. He entered the service under the first call of the President for three years' volunteers, and served faithfully for four and a half years. Beginning in the ranks, his soldier like bearing, intelligence and capability won him promotions, until he attained the rank of major in 1864, serving in that capacity until his discharge in January, 1866. A portion of the time he did staff duty under General Veatch, and was always at the front. Returning to his home after the war,*

*he resumed the pursuits of civil life, and while busied as a farmer, was also active in local and general politics, serving in various official positions. He was for several years treasurer of Franklin township, and in was elected representative from Ross county in the State legislature. One of the earliest settlers of Franklin township was John Johnson ...*

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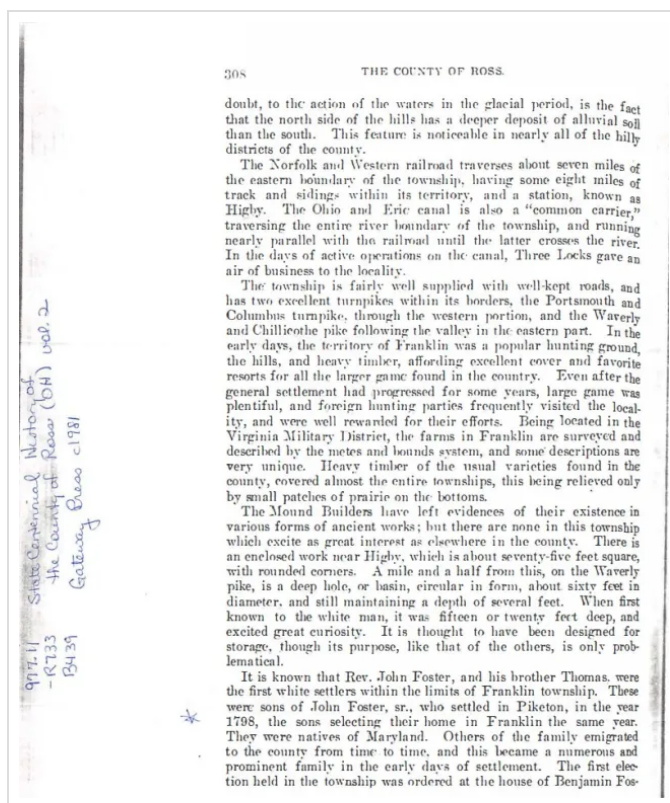
*The Foster Family :-The founder of this numerous and influential family in Ohio was the Rev. John Foster, who came from near Cumberland, Md., and settled in what is now Pike county in 1706. He died in January, 1800, leaving eight children. of whom there were six sons and two daughters. Among the former was one who became the Rev. John Foster, No. 2. He was born March 3, 1771, and died August 22, 11839, in Madison county, Ohio, while on a visit to some of his children. Of the latter there were ten in all and among the number was Thomas C. Foster, born July 2, 1813, in Ross county. He spent his whole life in Franklin township and died there December 18, 1882. His wife was Jane E. Davis, member of one of the pioneer families of the township, who died July 12, 1852, leaving six children. Of these, Martha was born July 31, 1849; James C. May 3, 1842, Hannah, born September 4, 1844, and died February 25, 1893; John, born January 4, 1847; William, born September 16, 1850 and died February 14, 1874; George, born June 21, 1852, and died June 23 1881. Major James C. Foster, the oldest son in the above mentioned list was educated in te public and private schools of his native county. Shortly before the civil war he spent a term at a private military school in Chillicothe, and the experience acquired there proved valuable in the years immediately succeeding. On October 17, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company F. Fifty third Ohio infantry, being made first sergeant at the organization. January 1, 1862 his service and politics were awarded by promotion to the second lieutenancy and in the following September he was transferred to Company I. On June 3, 1863, he was commissioned as captain of Company A Fifty-ninth regiment of colored troops which had recently been called into service. On June 18, 1864 he was given a commission as*

*major of that regiment, in which capacity he served until the close of the war, being in command of the regiment for several months. Major Foster participated in the battles of Shiloh, Falling Timbers, Tupelo, Brice's Crossroads and the siege of Corinth. At the battle of Brice's crossroads, near Guntown,*

*Miss., June 10, 1864 Captain Foster was placed in charge of the skirmish line, composed of his own and another company. They made a heroic fight until dark, when, all the troops retiring in the direction of Ripley and the lieutenant-colonel being-totally disabled by a wound, he assumed command of the regiment, from which he was not relieved until the following-September. During his long army service, Major Foster was often detailed on important special service. During the winter of 1862-3 he was a member of the general court-martial, and he served on courts of inquiry, as chief of pickets and in other responsible positions, which showed his high standing with his superior officers. He was mustered out of the service January 31, 1866, after a military career which reflects upon him the highest credit. After the close of the war, Major Foster returned home and for a time attended a commercial school at Cleveland, after which he settled down to a farmer's life, near his birthplace, where he still resides. September 7, 1869, he was married to Emma, daughter of James Mary Davis, who died August 2, 1872, leaving one child, Daisy D., born June 7, 1870, who is now the wife of H. J. DuBois, of Pike county, Ohio. October 19, 1875, Major Foster was remarried, his second wife being Mary D., daughter of Joseph I. and Jane D Vanse. This union resulted in the birth of four daughters and three sons, all of whom are living: Ada C., born March 16, 1877; J. Vance, born April 29 1879; Jean M., born July 16, 1881; Harry L, born March 14, 1884; James C., born November 25, 1887; Mary H., December 19, 1889; and Sallie, September 13, 1894. The Major has filled various township offices and at the fall election in 1901 he was chosen representative in the Ohio general assembly from Ross county, receiving 5,239 votes to 4,531 for Robert. L. Irvin, his opponent. He was a*



*prominent member of the Grand Army of the Republic and has been commander of Joseph Climer post, No. 6,092 at Omega, Ohio, ever since it was organized in 1883. He also holds membership in the other patriotic organization devoted exclusively to Federal officers and called the Loyal Legion. His ancestors were mostly Methodists, but the Major has no church affiliations.*



# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 15, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

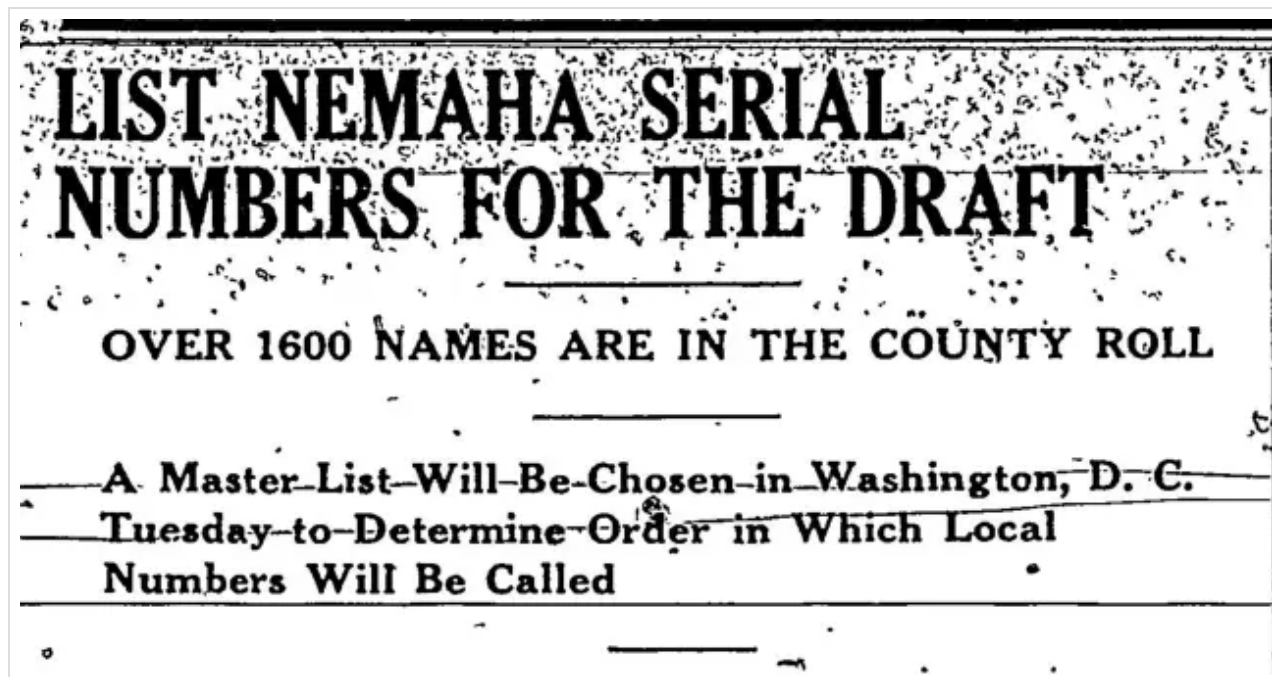
The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from July 8, 2023*



- 901 Rollen Aaron Nichols Co
- 902 Elvin Edward Watkins Go
- 903 Cecil Elden Foley Sa
- 904 Cyril John Stallbaumer Se
- 905 James Arthur Barker Se
- 906 Clyde Clinton Rucker We
- 907 Edwin Marcellus Haug Se
- 908 Welby Floyd Kerr Be
- 909 Leroy E. Gutknecht Se
- 910 Francis A. Kokenge Ba
- 911 Bernard Henry Buessing Ba
- 912 Albert John Lierz Se
- 913 Clarence B Hammes Ba
- 914 Willard Mack Thiemann Pa

915 Oswald Emil Thieme, Jr Go  
916 Herman Mast, Jr Go  
917 Revere Donald Funk Onei  
918 Sylvester John Koch Ba  
919 Walter Joseph Meyer Se  
920 Eugene C. Reinhardt Sa  
921 James Calvin Newlin Sa  
922 Albert Jon Schmelzle Se  
923 Thomas B. Wichman Se  
924 Willis Carl A. Bredemeier Se  
925 Oliver Vernon Robinson Sa  
926 Wilbur W. Wurzbacher Sa  
927 Von William Ha Go  
928 Walter Albert Wichman Se  
929 Paul Galen Phillips S  
930 Clyde Melvin lott Sa  
931 Lester Melvin Mishler Sa  
932 Leslie Charles Little Ce  
933 Francis LeRoy Zelfer Onei  
934 Harold Wilson Baskett Sa  
935 Vern Bernard Melcher Se  
936 Alton Milford Bell Onei  
937 Robt. L. Rawlins Se  
938 Vernon Ernest Schneider Se  
939 Raymond Jos. Olberding Se  
940 Paul Peter Koch Ba  
941 Charles R. Jerome Jr Go  
942 Lawrence W Savage Go  
943 Emery Chester Grove Sa  
944 Joseph Daniel Rettele Ax  
945 Albert Vincent Becker Ce  
946 Clarence John Werner Ba

947 Victor H. Stallbaumer Ba

948 Wilbert Celestine Haug Ve

949 Wilbert Jacob Leuthold So

950 Ralph B. Rosengarten Se

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 16, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

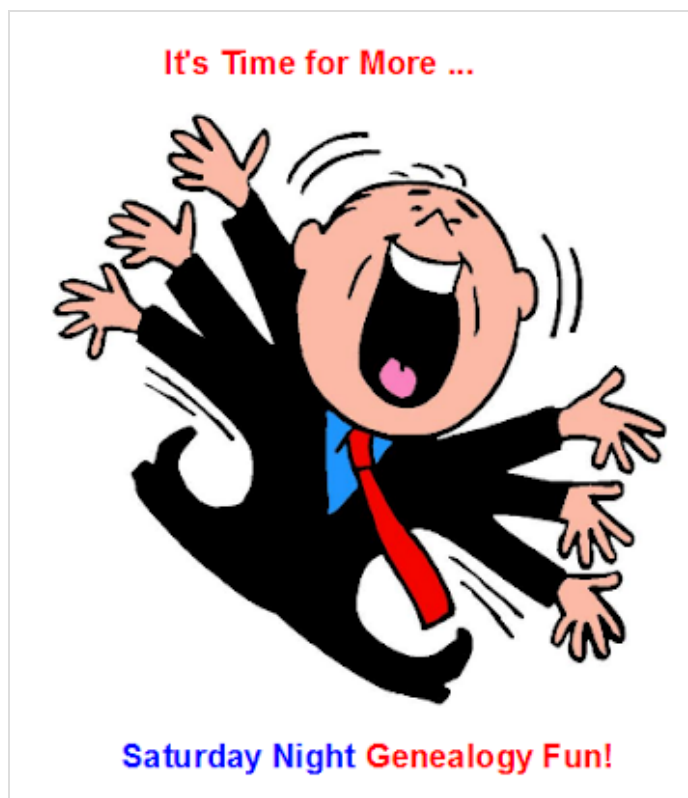
**time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) What are three things about one of your ancestors that you have learned doing genealogy research?)**

Thanks Randy for the challenge to review my ancestors. While I have learned lots of interesting 'stuff' about many many of my ancestors, I tend to share it here on my blog when found. In thinking about this particular question, one of my first thoughts was that I learned my grandmother, Pauline Briles, went for an airplane ride in the 1930s. Since I grew up knowing my grandmother, there haven't been a lot of other interesting tidbits that I learned about her after starting researching my family history.

While I knew my grandmother Briles, my grandfather Briles died when I was 4. And his short life is full of interesting details that I learned by researching my family history.



## Thresher

Around 1916, my grandfather, Edward Osmond Briles, obtained a threshing machine. In 1918, he and his crew threshed over 1700 bushels of grain. In 1919, his threshing crew threshed the wheat for his Crandall and Thompson neighbors

## Car Salesman

In 1922, E. O. Briles owned Briles Auto Repair and Garage in Iola, Kansas. In 1923, sold the Chandler car with the Pikes Peak Motor at his garage. He also sold the Cleveland Six Sedan for \$1295. In August, he drove the service car for the Iola Chamber of Commerce Good Fellowship Tour.



*Service Car Along  
Trouble Auto will contain Extra  
Supply of gas, tires, Air  
and Mechanic*

*A service car from the Briles Garage, that will contain an extra supply of gasoline, extra tires, air, oil, and tools will be taken on the Chamber of Commerce, good fellowship tour on next Thursday, when more than twenty-five carloads of boosters will visit eleven different neighboring towns.*

*The trouble car will be taken along for the convenience of the boosters, in case they should have any tire or engine trouble, or run out of gasoline or oil. This will be a great convenience for those that should have trouble, and it will enable them to be on the road again within a short time.*

*The trouble car will be driven by E. O. Briles proprietor of the Briles Garage of Iola, and a mechanic will be with Mr. Briles throughout the trip.*

*Plans for the all-day trip, are being completed by A. L. Meisinger secretary of the chamber of Commerce. The trip is being taken for the*

*purpose of boosting the Allen County Fair, which begins here Monday, and the new Junior College of Iola, which will open here next month. Mr. Meisinger has arranged for nearly thirty cars to make the trip and there are still a number of merchants and car owners about the city who are planning to go. It has been asked that all those who can possibly make the trip, or those who have promised to go, and have later found it will be impossible to do so, call the Chamber of Commerce at once. The trippers will line up on the square at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, and the pilot car will leave promptly at 8:30. The boosters are expected to arrive back home shortly after 6 o'clock, after spending a short time for a band concert and speeches in eleven towns.*

## Picture Show Man

The in 1930, E. O. Briles gave up the automotive business to become the 'picture show man' in Buffalo, Kansas. From Buffalo, the family moved to Emporia, Kansas where E. O. Briles owned the Lyric theater in 1932. In 1936 he added a 'picture house' in Excelsior Springs, Missouri. Then in 1937, he added a theater in Cottonwood Falls, Kansas. In 1940, E. O. Briles was listed in the Motion Picture Herald as one of '550 names to testify against majors'

## Protestor

However, one of the most intriguing facts about my grandfather was that he was arrested and found guilty for operating his theater on a Sunday in violation of city ordinances. This act of civil disobedience was repeated for several weeks in an attempt to change the 'blue laws' that prohibited showing a motion picture on Sundays. While we no longer have such laws, my grandfathers attempts to get them changed did not cause them to change.



*Arrest Lyric Owner*

*E. O. Briles Is Arrested Twice for*



### *Showing Movies Sunday.*

*E. O. Briles, Proprietor of the Lyric theater was arrested twice Sunday by city police for violating the Sunday labor law as contained in a city ordinance. Briles' arrest was ordered by City Attorney O. L. Isaacs when the theater man opened his house for movies at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and again at 8 o'clock in the evening. The two programs were completed after Briles had given bond for his appearance in police court at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.*

*When the officers went to the theater shortly after 2 o'clock, Briles was operating the projector, Miss Glennis Wasson was selling tickets. Briles and Miss Wasson were taken to the police station where Briles was charged with violating the Sunday labor statute in the city ordinance. He gave \$100 bond for his appearance Tuesday before Judge J. H. J. Rice. Cleo Smalling was found operating the projector when police returned to the theater and he too was taken to the station. Neither Smalling nor Miss Wasson were charged. They probably will be used as witnesses along with 10 movie patrons whose names were obtained by the officers. Briles continued the movie program after his release on bond, but did not start another scheduled performance at 4 o'clock. Police warned Briles that he would be arrested at each succeeding showing.*

*Briles opened the theater again at 8 o'clock and was re-arrested. His bond was fixed at \$200 this time. He furnished the surety and was released. Briles announced Saturday that he would show on Sunday and invited arrest to test the legality of Sunday shows in Emporia. He said he was acting upon the recommendation of an attorney.*

While I knew that my grandfather operated the Lyric theater in Emporia, that was all I knew about him. Thankfully, newspapers helped me uncover his colorful life!

For more about my grandfather, see his profile on

- my Heartland Genealogy tree on Ancestry
- his WikiTree profile
- his FamilySearch profile

# 59th Regiment of Colored Troops

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 17, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CIVIL WAR, FOSTER

Do you remember the movie, *Glory*, about the 54th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment during the civil war? This movie highlighted the service of African-Americans during the civil war. While I was aware of the movie I was not aware that I had a distant cousin who was an officer in a similar regiment: the 59th Regiment of Colored Troops.

I stumbled across this information while transcribing FOSTER family information from the State Centennial History of the County of Ross (Ohio).

” *On June 3, 1863, he (James C. Foster) was commissioned as captain of Company A Fifty-ninth regiment of colored troops which had recently been called into service. On June 18, 1864 he was given a commission as major of that regiment, in which capacity he served until the close of the war, being in command of the regiment for several months.*

Curious about this cousin and his military service, I started digging and found his obituary.

” *Chillicothe Gazette (Chillicothe, OH)*  
*Wednesday, August 10, 1927*

*page 1*

*Maj. Foster Is Summoned*

*One of Ross County's Grand Old Men — Soldier, Former' Statesman Dies, aged 85*

*Major James C. Foster died at his home near Higby at 4:30 this morning after an illness of some nine months, the result of his advancing years.*

*Major Foster was the scion of one of Ross county's pioneer families, his grandfather having migrated to Ross county and having taken up land in 1796, coming here from Maryland.*

*Major Foster was one of Franklin township's and Ross county's leading citizens, and occupied a high position in the esteem of all serious minded citizens in the city and county.*

*He was born may 3, 1842, on the Foster farm near Higby, and was in his 86th year at the time of his death. Major Foster was twice married, but both wives have preceded him to the grave. He is survived by the following sons and daughters; Mrs. H. J. DuBois, Ada Vause, Jean M., Harry L., James C. Jr., Mrs. e. S. Young and Mrs. E. O. Fremont.*

*He received his early education in the local schools, attended a military school in this city in 1859 and a commercial school in Cleveland in 1868.*

*When the civil war broke out in August 24, 1861, he enlisted in Company C of the 33rd Volunteer Infantry of Ohio and was transferred from the regiment the following September to the 53 regiment of infantry and earned his commission.*

*He was in a number of major battles of the war, and was assigned to recruiting service in Tennessee and aided in organizing the 59 regiment of U.S. Colored Infantry, in which he was promoted to majorship, which he held when he was mustered out.*

*He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Loyal Legion. In 1901 he was elected to represent Ross county in the general assembly, serving the term 1902 to 1904, and he was responsible for much wise legislation during his service in that body.*

*Primarily Major Foster was a farmer, one of the best in Ross county and for many years he was one of the chief supporters, and movers in the county fair association.*

*He was appointed as one of the  
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*Maj. Foster*

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*original board of trustees for the memorial hall for Ross county and served on that body up to the time it passed out of existence by reason of a change in the law which gave place to the board which finally worked for the completion of the building in conjunction with the Ohio national guard.*

*Major Foster was an ardent and enthusiastic Republican in his political affiliations, but was never a biased partisan. As a man and friend he shone supreme and his kindness and charity will always be remembered by many who were favored by him in many ways.*

*The funeral will be held from the residence Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. and the burial will be made in the Caldwell cemetery.*

Unfortunately, his obituary is very similar to what was published in the Centennial History. Thus, I turned to Google to see what I could learn about the 59th regiment.

- 59th United States Colored Infantry Regiment (Wikipedia)
- 59th Regiment, United States Colored Infantry (National Park Service)
- 59th US Colored Infantry (Slaves to Soldiers)
- 59th Regiment, United States Colored Infantry (FamilySearch)
- 59th U.S. Colored Infantry Regiment (Tennessee & the Civil War)
- “Remember Fort Pillow!” The 59th U.S. Colored Troops at Brice’s Crossroads (Dan Masters Civil War Chronicles)
- The 59th U.S. Colored Infantry (Beachcomber)

When I broadened my search to ‘civil war colored troops’, one of the top results was a link to the Ancestry database, U.S., Colored Troops Military Services Records, 1863-1865. When I

I would not have thought about searching for James Foster in this civil war database if I had not already found the details about his service record indicating his leadership role in the 59th regiment of Colored Troops.

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# Land Dispute

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 18, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER

Have you seen newspaper articles discussing a court case to divide land? If so, did you assume that these disputes was for the division of land among siblings after the death of a parent or step-parent? I have to admit that I made such an assumption when I encountered articles involving James C. Foster of Ross County, Ohio in a dispute over land.

The first article was in the 29 May 1893 issue of the Chillicothe Gazette of Chillicothe, Ohio.

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*He Wants the Land Divided*

*Albert Douglas, Jr., in behalf of John C. Foster, Saturday, filed a suit in partition in which 110 1/12 acres in Pike county, and 10 acres in Franklin township, this county, are involved. The defendants in the suit are James C. Foster, Martha F. Foster and George C. Foster.*

**“HE WANTS LAND DIVIDED,” CHILLICOTHE GAZETTE (CHILLICOTHE, OHIO), 29 MAY 1893, PAGE 1; DIGITAL IMAGES, NEWSPAPERS.COM (WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 10 JULY 2023).**

From the above article, I assumed these were siblings fighting over land. Then in the 15 June 1893 issue of the Chillicothe Gazette, one finds the decision of the court.

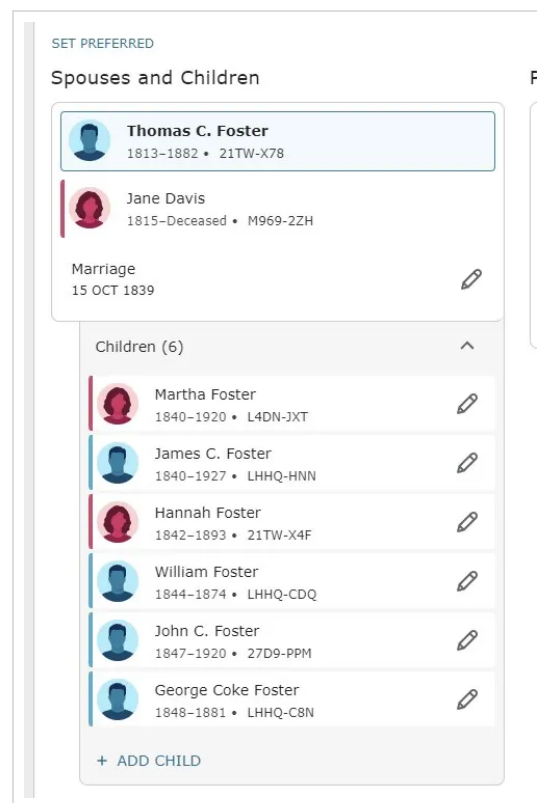
The land will be divided

Partition has been ordered in the case of John C. Foster and James C. Foster, Martha Foster and George C. Foster, in which the severalty of the plaintiff was asked to be set off. The

plaintiff, John C. Foster, claimed a one fourth interest in two tracts of land, situated in Ross and Pike counties, and containing 110 and 10 1/12 acres respectively, as an heir at law of Hannah C. Foster, deceased.

The court appointed John W. Higby, William Landrum and W. L. Lynch, commissioners for partition.

Again, I'm thinking siblings. With the wording 'heir at law of Hannah C. Foster,' I'm also assumed that Hannah is the mother of John C., James C., Martha F. and George C. Foster. So, I try finding this family on FamilySearch. When that search proves unsuccessful, I start looking for a Hannah Foster who died around 1893. That's when I find the family of Thomas Coke Foster with children named Martha, James, Hannah, John, William and George.



Hannah's obituary confirms that she is the sister of James, John and Mattie.



*Chillicothe Gazette (Chillicothe Gazette)*

*25 Feb 1893*



*Death of Miss H. C. Foster*

*Miss Hannah C. Foster, residing near Higby's station, a sister of Major Jas. C. Foster, Mr. John C. Foster and Miss Mattie C. Foster, constituting one of the best known families in that portion of the county, died this morning, after a period of illness which traces back a couple of years. Her ailment was acute indigestion, which resulted in a catarrh of the bowels and extreme debility and emaciation.*

*The funeral will occur at 11 a.m. Monday, and the interment will take place at the graveyard at Higby's.*

**"DEATH OF MISS H. C. FOSTER," CHILLICOTHE GAZETTE (CHILLICOTHE, OHIO), 25**

**FEBRUARY 1893, PAGE 1; DIGITAL IMAGES, NEWSPAPERS.COM**

**(WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 10 JULY 2023).**

For additional proof, I will need to find land records or a probate record in Ross or Pike counties, Ohio for Hannah Foster.



# Richard Foster's Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 19, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

Have you ever found a will in the records from a land office? I'm not sure how often I've run across a will in the land records, but the Warren County Indiana land records do contain a copy of Richard Foster's will.

” *In the name of God Amen, I Richard Foster of the County of Pike and State of Ohio being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory and understanding considering the certainty of death and uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me home do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say firstly I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral charges are paid second I will and bequeath unto my third son Zebulon Foster all the lands I have in the State of Indiana on the waters of the Wabash River as follows to wit: That if it should be considered that the said lands at first cost should be more than his equal share of my estate hereafter then he shall pay back the overpaid to the said estate, and I also give to him one sorrel mare in consideration of services rendered since he was of age, not to be accounted as any part of his legacy. Thirdly, I will and*

*bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachel all the reside of my lands and covenants with all my goods and shattels moneys and credits after paying all my just debts so long as she shall remain my widow for the purpose of raising my children and to be at her disposal during the — Fourthly I will that at the death of my wife that the two oldest of my children, to wit Jeremiah B Foster and John Foster shall account for the advancement made to them as per receipts and Zebulon Foster according to the bequest made above and then an equal di struck between all my children, to wit, Jeremiah B Foster, John Foster, Eliza Wilson, Zebulon Foster, Cassandra Foster, Lemuel G Foster, Asenath Foster, Thomas Foster, Seth C. Foster and Rachel Foster share and share alike. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint y dear wife Rachel Foster to sole executrix of this my last will and testament revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made satisfying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I Richard Foster have to this my will consisting of one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this seventh day of June in the year of our Lord God (1831) one thousand eight hundred and thirty one*

*(seal)*

*Signed & Seal in presence of us*

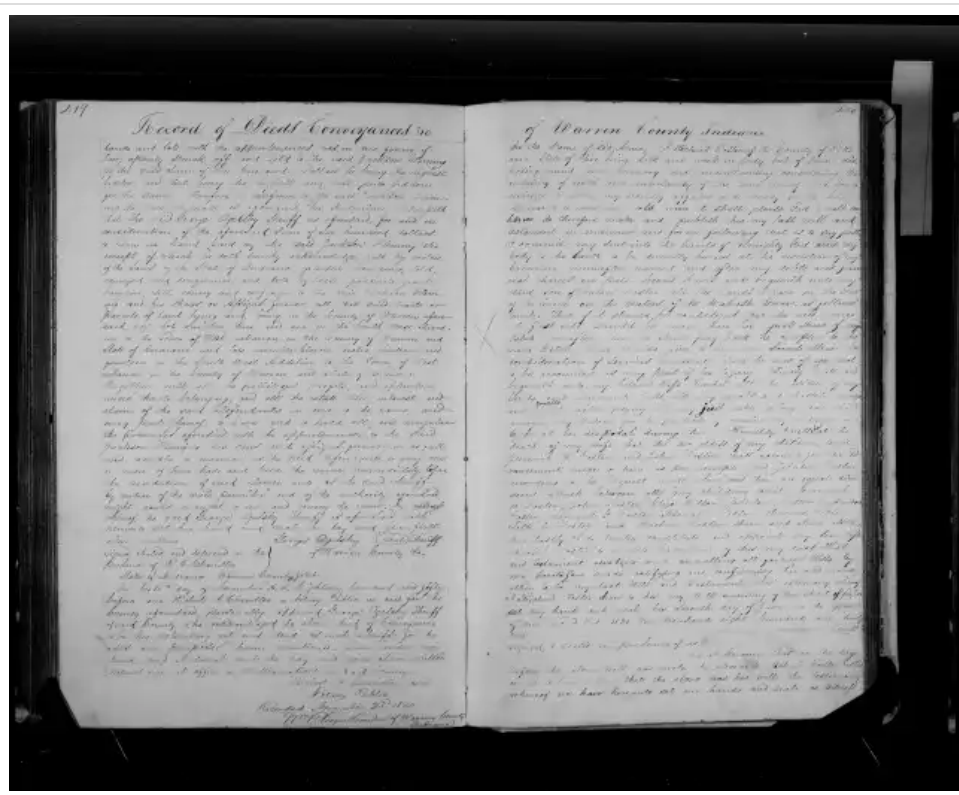
*Be it known on the day before the above will was wrote the deceased Richard Foster called*

*on us to bear witness that the above was his will In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hand and seals as witness*

**INDIANA, WARREN. DEED RECORDS, 1827-1901. FILM #1977054 DGS 8071879.**

**RICHARD FOSTER, JUNE 1831; VOL 11: PAGE 420; DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILY SEARCH**

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The Ohio Probate Records also contains a copy of this will.



State of Ohio  
Pike County

Pike Court of common Pleas June Term  
being the 20th day of June AD 1831

Be it remembered that on this day the last will  
and testament of Richard Foster late of Pike county deceased  
was in open court and proved by the oaths of Joseph Foster  
George Johnston and James Davis in all things agreeable to the statute  
in such cases mad and provided as follows to wit"

State of Ohio Pike County

This day personally appeared before the Court of Common Please in and  
for said County the within name Joseph Foster George Johnston  
and James Davis who being duly sworn did depose and say that they  
were present at the time of speaking the testamentary words named

*in the within instrument by the said Richard Foster, now deceased that the same was immediately reduced to writing and was read over to the*

*said Richard Foster and then and there declared to be his last will and testament and that he then and there desire @ these deponents to bear testimony that such was his will which they accordingly did and within six days thereafter attested the same as such that the same was done and made by the said Richard Foster in his last sickness and that at the time of making said will he the said Richard was of sound mind and memory and these deponents are entirely disinterested unto the subject matter of said will.*

*Sworn to and subscribed*

*in open Court June 20th 1831*

*Joseph Foster*

*George Johnston*

*James Davis*

*And the Court being satisfied that said will has been duly executed and that the testator was of full age and of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint at the time of executing the same It is therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be admitted to record pursuant to statute which said will reads in the word following "to wit," In the name of God Amen*

*I Richard Foster of the County of Pike and State of Ohio being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing mind memory and understanding considering the certainty of death and uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me home do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix here in after named and after my debts and funeral charges are paid Second I will and bequeath unto my third son Zebulon Foster*

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*all the land I have in the State of Indiana on the waters of the Wabash river as*

*follows "to wit" that if it should be considered that the said lands at first cost should be more than his equal share of my estate hereafter then he shall*

*pay back the overplus to the said estate and I also give to him one sorrel mare in consideration of services rendered since he was of age not to be accounted as any part of his legacy. Thirdly I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachel all the residue of my lands and tenements with all my goods and chattels moneys and credits after paying all my just bills so long as she shall remain my widow for the purpose of raising my children and to be at her disposal during the Fourthly I will that at my death of my wife that the two eldest of my children, "to wit,"*

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*In testimony whereof I Richard Foster have to this my will consisting of one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal this seventh day of June in the year of our Lord God (1831) one thousand eight hundred and thirty one*

*Seal*

*Signed and sealed in presence of us*

*Be it known that on the day the above Will was wrote the deceased Richard Foster, called us to bear witness that the above was his will. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands as*

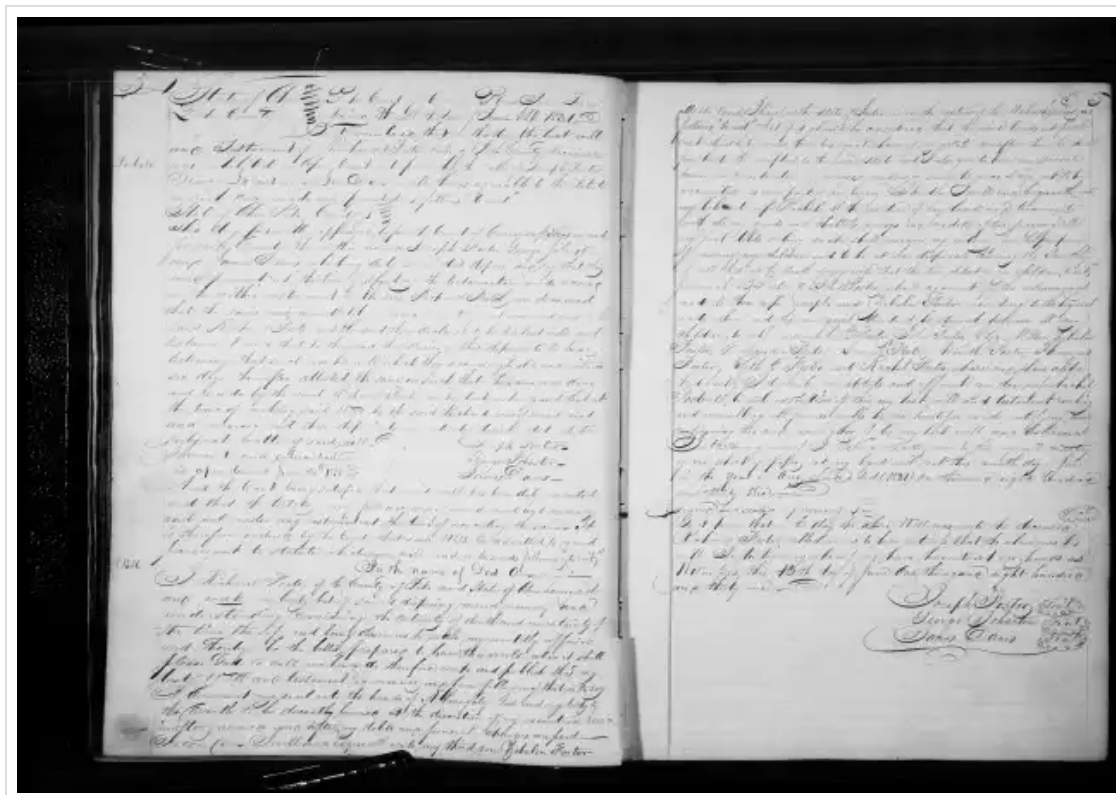
witness this 13th day of June one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty one

Joseph Foster Seal

George Johnston seal

James Davis seal

**OHIO PROBATE RECORDS, 1789-1996, RICHARD FOSTER, 1831; DIGITIZED IMAGES,  
FAMILYSEARCH (WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG : VIEWED ONLINE 17 MARCH 2022)**







# Experimental Search

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 20, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FAMILYSEARCH, NEW YORK, OHIO, OSTRANDER

I'm guessing that most of the readers of this blog also read other genealogy blogs. If so, do you read the 'Tips' from Michael John Neill? One of his recent tips was about FamilySearch Experimental Search.



The screenshot shows the FamilySearch logo at the top left. Below it is the title 'United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search'. A 'Caution:' section states that this is an experimental search experience and that FamilySearch makes no guarantees regarding the availability of the system. An 'About this Data:' section provides details about the records, including the time period (1630-1975) and the volume of data (over 110 million records). At the bottom, there is a search interface with a 'Keyword' label, a text input field containing 'Specific Searches', and a blue 'Search' button with a question mark icon.

Since I'm spending this week researching Dr. Edward Ostrander, I decided to try out this search to see what I could find. Unlike many of the surnames in my tree, the Ostrander surname is not as common. Thus, I started my 'test' of this new feature by searching for just the Ostrander surname.

Keyword: Ostrander

Search

States

clear

☐ New York (46682)  
☐ (4249)  
☐ Michigan (4037)  
☐ Ohio (3101)  
☐ Iowa (2519)  
☐ Wisconsin (2452)  
☐ Pennsylvania (2265)  
☐ Minnesota (2158)  
☐ New Jersey (1967)  
☐ Idaho (1658)

more

Counties

clear

☐ Ulster (8021)  
☐ Saratoga (5081)  
☐ (4576)  
☐ Hamilton (2915)  
☐ Niagara (2379)  
☐ Jefferson (2043)  
☐ Rensselaer (2018)  
☐ Westchester (1989)  
☐ Delaware (1856)  
☐ Richmond (1639)

more

Record Types

clear

☐ Land and property  
 (69745)  
☐ Probate records  
 (15345)  
☐ Guardianship (2336)  
☐ Vital records (1675)  
☐ Indexes (1658)  
☐ History (1023)  
☐ Genealogy (920)  
☐ Cemeteries (863)  
☐ Church records (632)  
☐ Census (564)

more

Years

clear

☐ 1884 (4114)  
☐ 1886 (4080)  
☐ 1900 (4048)

Results 1 - 20 of total 82,966 results for Ostrander

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**Columbia Index, grantees Surnames L-R 1772-1925**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
James H. Ostrander Evalua	Columbia County	1921	Referee
Ostrander Frank L. Ostrander	Kelle	1910	Almira Tutor
Ostrander Frank Howard	N. Y.	1787	
Ostrander Thomas M. Ostrander		1920	
John M. Ostrander Will		1921	

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**Steuben Grantee Index A-Z 1888-1895**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Ostrander Ica P. Barney	Almaron	1883	Estimator
Ostrander Clinton N. Ostrander	Steuben County	1886	
Fanny Mary Ostrander	N. Y.	1844	
Eveline Ostrander		1882	
Wm Ostrander		1951	

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**Columbia Index, grantors Surnames N-T 1772-1925**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Wm Nathan H. Ostrander	Albany	1900	Guard
Ostrander Catharine Conrad Bartel	N. Y.	1892	
Maria Ostrander	Columbia County	1903	
Ostrander Florence Silas Miller	Granville Hills	1869	
Winant G. Ostrander	Everett	1915	

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**Columbia Index, grantees Surnames L-R 1772-1925**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
John Ostrander William W. Ostrander Catharine	Albany	1878	Asst Judge
I. N.	N. Y.	1874	Referee
Ostrander Henry Whittick	Columbia County	1862	Recorder
Ostrander Polly Ostrander	Hart	1876	
William Ostrander Helen Van Hoesen	Martin Van	1877	
Ostrander Robert M. Patterson Lucy M.	Albany		

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**Columbia Index, grantors Surnames N-T 1772-1925**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Ma Ostrander	Cattaraugus	1871	Ostrander Com
Ostrander Hannah Barney Parry	N. Y.	1877	Asst Cressie
Ostrander By Essex Helen Ostrander	Columbia County	1885	Col
Ostrander Hannah Alexanderbett	Van Alstyne	1884	Sherriff
Ostrander I. Helen	Hudson	1877	

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**Steuben Grantor Index A-Z 1879-1887**

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Ostrander Marton Ostrander	N. Y.	1883	Referee

While the search turned up over 82,000 results, it was the filters on the left side of the screen that will help narrow that field of results down. There are four broad categories in this list of filters:

- State
- Counties (defaults to list of counties for the state listed at the top of the state filter)
- Record Types
- Years

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Record Types

[clear](#)

☐ Land and property (69745)

☐ Probate records (15345)

☐ Guardianship (2336)

☐ Vital records (1675)

☐ Indexes (1658)

☐ History (1023)

☐ Genealogy (920)

☐ Cemeteries (863)

☐ Church records (632)

☐ Census (564)

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Years

☐ Richmond (1639)

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Record Types

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☐ Indexes (1658)

☐ History (1023)

☐ Genealogy (920)

☐ Cemeteries (863)

☐ Church records (632)

☐ Census (564)

☐ Court records (550)

☐ Military records (432)

☐ Directories (370)

☐ Biography (368)

☐ Societies (367)

☐ Church history (318)

☐ Maps (238)

☐ Archives and libraries (190)

☐ Bible records (163)

☐ Periodicals (162)

☐ Obituaries (156)

☐ Gazetteers (114)

☐ Naturalization and citizenship (111)

☐ Public records (110)

☐ Minorities (99)

☐ Newspapers (91)

☐ Military history (73)

☐ Business records and commerce (64)

☐ Schools (58)

☐ Taxation (56)

☐ Unknown (46)

☐ Town records (38)

☐ Bibliography (31)

☐ Handbooks, manuals, etc. (27)

☐ Funeral homes (26)

☐ Collected works (25)

☐ Centennial celebrations, etc. (23)

☐ Native races (22)

☐ Emigration and immigration (19)

☐ Pensions (19)

☐ Buildings, dwellings, etc. (16)

☐ Militia (16)

Each set of filters contains a prompt at the bottom of the list to click to see more. When I clicked on the MORE prompt for Record Types, I got an extensive list of various types of records.

Following each of the various filters is a number in parentheses. This is the number of records that particular filter will return.

So, if I select New York as one of the filters, that narrows down the field to 46,682 records. When I add Rensselaer county as a filter, that narrows down the field to 2,018. Those record type filter can then be used to narrow the search even further. For my Ostrander search in Rensselaer County, New York the record types are as follows:

- Land and Property (1863)
- Probate Records (192)
- Genealogy (87)
- Cemeteries (81)
- History (78)
- Minorities (75)
- Church records (56)

- Vital Records (49)
- Church History (39)
- Census (37)
- Directories (24)
- Bible Records (12)

I found the 'year' filter to be a little confusing. Since I knew my Ostrander family was in Rensselaer county prior to the move to Ohio around 1813, I was looking for years prior to 1813. Since the years are listed in order by the number of records returned, I had to scan the list to find a year with records before 1813. At the top of the list is the year 1800 with 189 results. Toward the bottom of the list, I found 1811 with 37 results and 1807 with 36 results.



When I clicked to select 1811, the list of years changed to put 1811 with 37 results at the top and then showed years with results fewer than 37 below it. Scrolling down I found mention of results from the 1700s.

Selecting the year also changed the list of record types.

[more](#)

Years

clear

- ☒ 1811 (37)
- ☐ 1862 (12)
- ☐ 1873 (12)
- ☐ 1870 (11)
- ☐ 1861 (10)
- ☐ 1863 (10)
- ☐ 1866 (10)
- ☐ 1874 (10)
- ☐ 1879 (10)
- ☐ 1814 (9)

- ☐ 1911 (3)
- ☐ 1430 (2)
- ☐ 1791 (2)
- ☐ 1792 (2)
- ☐ 1794 (2)
- ☐ 1795 (2)
- ☐ 1796 (2)
- ☐ 1798 (2)

[more](#)

Record Types

clear

- ☐ Land and property (28)
- ☐ Probate records (11)
- ☐ History (6)
- ☐ Cemeteries (5)
- ☐ Genealogy (5)
- ☐ Minorities (5)
- ☐ Church records (4)
- ☐ Census (2)
- ☐ Church history (2)
- ☐ Vital records (2)
- ☐ Directories (1)

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When I redid my search for Edward Ostrander in Ohio (where he died), it found 111 probate records. The first record was for a record in the Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851.

Keyword  
Edward Ostrander

Search

States  
clear

☒ Ohio (111)  
☐ New York (19)  
☐ Illinois (10)  
☐ Arkansas (8)  
☐ Georgia (8)  
☐ Missouri (6)  
☐ Utah (6)  
☐ California (4)  
☐ Minnesota (4)  
☐ Oregon (4)

more

Counties  
clear

☐ Delaware (22)  
☐ Seneca (19)  
☐ Union (19)  
☐ Stark (18)  
☐ Onondaga (7)  
☐ Pickaway (6)  
☐ Carbon (5)  
☐ Clark (5)  
☐ Digby (5)  
☐ Lucas (5)

more

Record Types  
clear

☒ Probate records (111)  
☐ Vital records (39)  
☐ Church records (37)

Results 1 - 20 of total 111 results for Edward Ostrander

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[Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851](#)

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Margery Ostrander	Thomas Aland	1835	Cik
Edward Ostrander	County of Pickaway		
Joseph Olds	State of Ohio		
S. S. Danny	town of Waverly		
Fletcher Lewis	Pickaway County		

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[Delaware Will records, v. 31-33 1948-1952](#)

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Edward J. Cranmer	Ostrander	1950	Deputy Clerk
Edward J. Cranmer	State of Ohio	1859	Probate Judge
Edward L. Gammar	Belpoint		
Name	Ohio		
Paul Barratt	Delaware County		

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[Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851](#)

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Edward Ostrander	Pichange County	1858	Clerk
Edward Eshunder	town of Woody	1830	Cik
Edward Strander	County of Pickaway		
Said Margery Ostrander	Lancaster		
Edward Colony	State of Ohio		

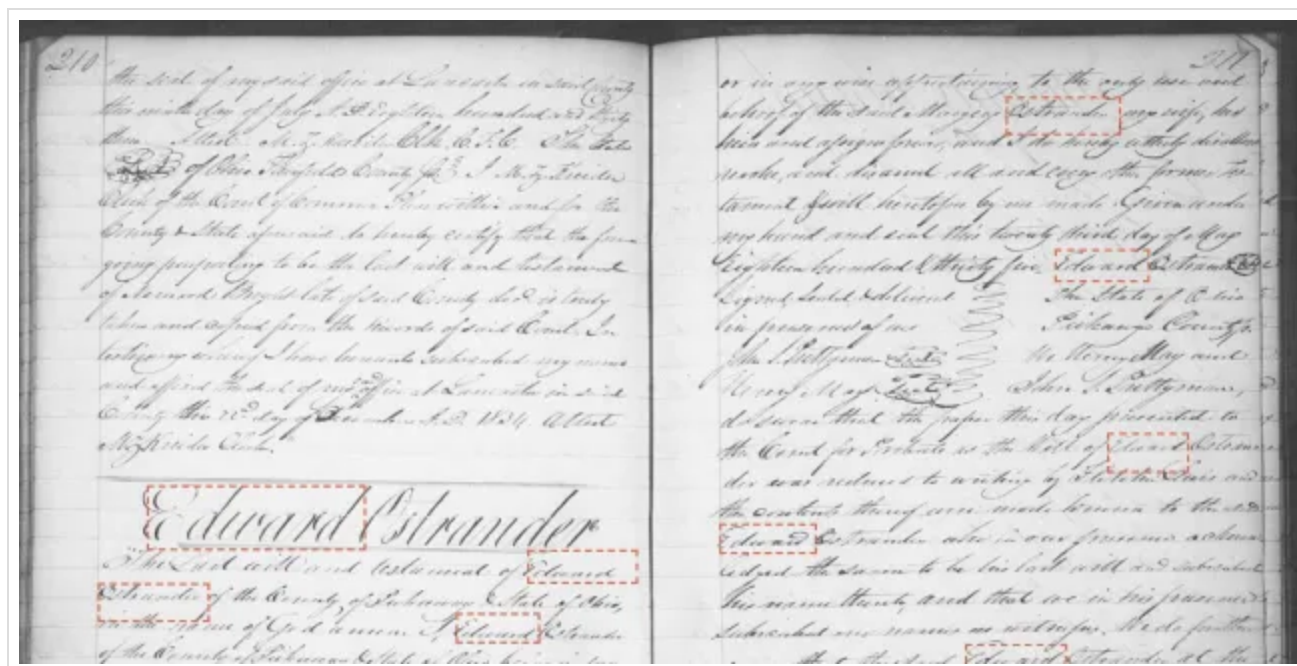
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[Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851](#)

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Persons	Places	Occupations
Ostrander Edward		

Narrowing the search to just Pickaway county produced 6 results. The first result is the will record on page 200 that I had obtained a copy of in 1989. The last three results referenced books that 'indexed' the records of Pickaway county, including marriage records. However, the second result in the list of six was for another copy of the will on page 210. (Clicking the blue source information opens the image.)



I had not seen the will on page 210 prior to using this new 'experimental search'.



Going back to the list of results, there is the option to VIEW FULL TRANSCRIPT! Clicking on that option opens a scrollable box that contains a transcript of the record. The information in this transcript can be copied and pasted into another document.

The screenshot displays the FamilySearch search interface. On the left, there are filters for States (Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri), Counties (Pickaway, Chase, Clark, DeWitt, Fairfield, Harrison, Jefferson, Lee, Perry, Piatt, Pike, Tuscarawas, Van Buren), Record Types (Probate records, Land and property, Cemeteries, Church records, Genealogy, Vital records), and Years (1834, 1824). The main area shows two record thumbnails, each with a 'View Full Text Transcript' link. The first transcript is for 'Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851' and the second is for 'Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851'.

**Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851**

Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
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Edward Ostrander	County of Pickaway		
Joseph Olds	State of Ohio		
S. S. Denny	town of Waverly		
Fletcher Lewis	Pickaway County		

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**Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851**

Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Edward Ostrander	Pickaway County	1858	Clerk
Edward Ostrander	town of Woody	1830	
Said Margery Ostrander	County of Pickaway	1834	
Edward Colony	Lancaster		
	State of Ohio		

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taken and copied from the Records of said Court in testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of m ice at Lancaster in said County this 2d day of December A.D 1834 attest Mary Kinder Clerk

Edward Colony

The Said will and testament of Edward Ostrander of the County of Pickaway State of Ohio in the name of God Amen I Edward Eshunder of the County of Pickaway State of Ohio being in per feet sound mind memory understanding thanks be unto God calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all sum once to die do make and ordain this my last will testament that is to say I give and bequeath to Manner Ostrander in beloved wife all that lot or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Woody in the County of Pike and State of Ohio Known and designated as in lot No 1759 124 together with all the improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging

**Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851**

Persons	Places	Occupations
Ostrander Edward		

**Word of Warning!** When you click to view the image, there is NO information regarding the SOURCE of the record. The only source information is the blue links in the list of results.

**THANK YOU Michael John Neill for your tip about this new feature on FamilySearch.**



# Friday Find

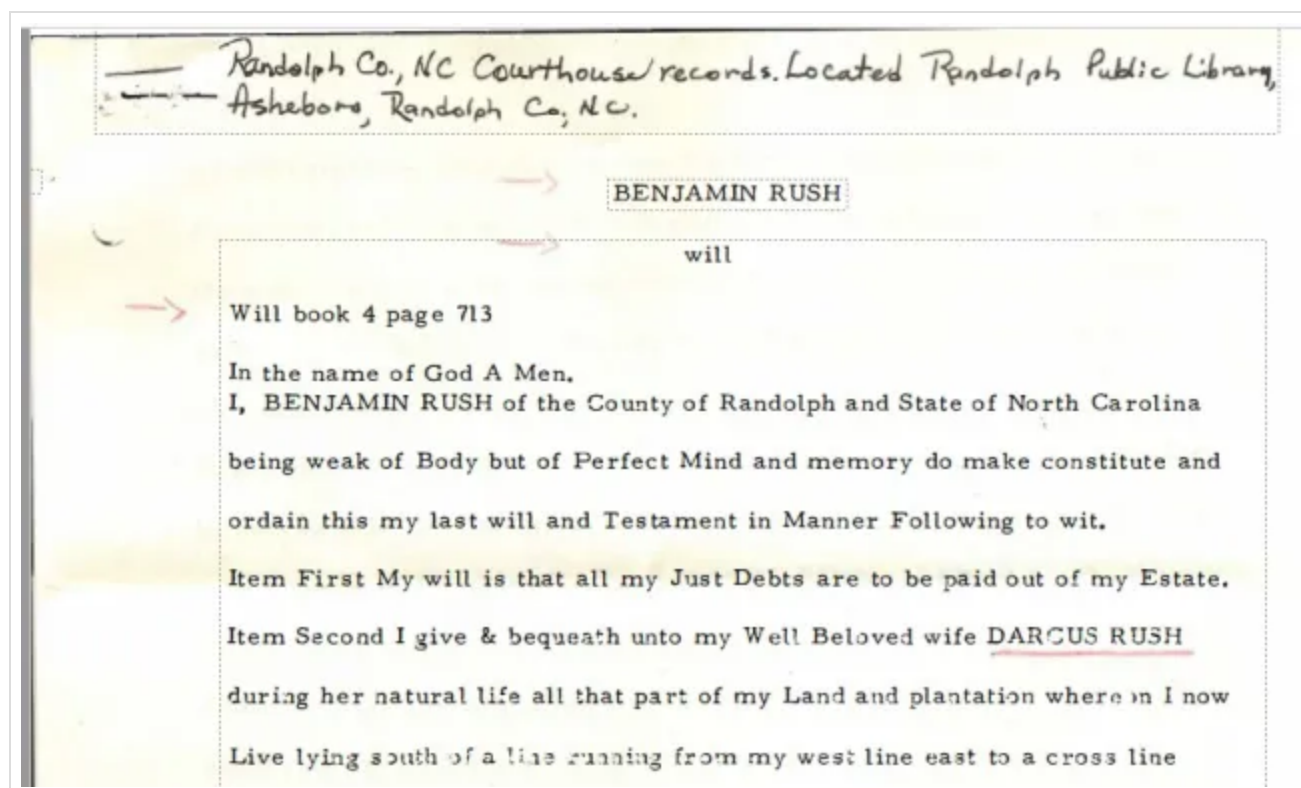
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 21, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: RUSH

Well, it is Friday again and time to see what is buried in my files. Since I've about exhausted the materials I received from Mildred Barby, I turned to my filing cabinet. Three of those drawers are fairly packed with a variety of genealogy items.

For today's find, I'm working with my RUSH folder. Within that folder is a typed transcript of Benjamin Rush's will.



Benjamin Crawford Rush is one of my 5th great grandparents. This wonderful will names the following family members:

- Dorcas — wife

- Noah – son
- Azel – son
- Michael – son
- Benjamin – son
- Zebedee – son
- Ninevah – son
- Reuben – deceased son
- Annis – granddaughter (daughter of Reuben)
- Bathasheba – granddaughter (daughter of Reuben)
- Dorcas – granddaughter (daughter of Reuben)
- Mary Wright – daughter (husband – Isaac Wright)
- Dorcas Goss – daughter
- Bathsheba Andrew – daughter
- Dick – slave
- Cela – slave
- Millis – slave
- Alfred – slave

Thanks to FamilySearch's efforts to digitize records, I was able to find the original will in the set of records titled: Wills 1773-1829. . Will book 4 starts on image 377 and page 713 is found on image 730.



*Randolph Co., NC*

*Courthouse records located Randolph Public Library*

*Asheboro, Randolph Co., NC*

*FAMILYSEARCH*

*Randolph County, North Carolina*

*Record of Wills, 1773-1964, with index*

*Wills 1773-1829 Film 745245 DGS 004779426*

*Image 377 – start of will book 4*

*Benjamin Rush*

*Will*

*Will book 4, page 713 (image 730)*

*Will book 4 page 713*

*In the name of God A Men.*

*I, BENJAMIN RUSH of the County of Randolph and State of North Carolina*

*being weak of Body but of Perfect Mind and memory do make constitute and*

*ordain this my last will and Testament in Manner Following to wit.*

*Item First My will is that all my Just Debts are to be paid out of my Estate,*

*Item Second I give & bequeath unto my Well Beloved wife DARCUS RUSH during her natural life all that part of my Land and plantation where on I now*

*Live lying south of a line running from my west line east to a cross line fence that is now standing then with the fence to the Uharee River thence down the River four poles then east to the old creek then with said Creek its*

*various courses to a Stony Hill that NENEVY RUSHS House stands on then*

*down the Stony Ridge to bellow a small beach then north untill it intersects*

*a due line from the place of departure at the Uharie River and from there a*

*due east line to the eastern Boundry of my land also my household Furniture*

*Farming & Kitchen Utensials one Horse Called Charly and one Black Mare my*

*waggon & gear five head of cattle such as she may choose seventeen head of*

*hogs besides what runs about the house and all the iron on hand and Four negroes to wit; Dick, Cela, Millis and Alfred also one hundred dollars in money.*

*Item 3rd, I give and bequeath unto my son MICHAEL all that tract of land whereon he now lives which I purchased of Lewis Fouts to him his heirs*

for  
Ever.

*Item 4 I give and bequeath to my son NINIVAH RUSH the tract of land whereon*

*I now live containing two hundred & sixty acres the same more or less with*

*the reserves made in the second Item a this my will on his paying unto my Estate six Hundred dollars after the death of my wife DORCAS RUSH to be*

*divided as hereinafter decreed,*

*Item fifth my will is that the residue of my Estate not named in my will shall*

*be sold as soon as conveniente after my decease and the proceeds of the sales*

*to be Equally divided between my sons NOAH RUSH, ALFRED (Original image does NOT show Alfred but looks more like Azel) RUSH, MICHAEL RUSH, BENJAMIN RUSH, ZEBEDEE RUSH, NINEVAH RUSH and the heirs of*

*REUBEN RUSH my son, to wit: ANNIS RUSH, BATHASHEBA RUSH & DORCAS*

*RUSH they having one eleventh part of the proceeds of land sales.*

*Item sixth my will is that at the death of my wife DORCAS RUSH that all personal property she may die possessed of be sold & equally divided between*

*my sons NOAH RUSH, ALFRED (Again, original image does NOT show Alfred but does look like it could be Azel) RUSH, MICHAEL RUSH, BENJAMIN RUSH,*

*ZEBEDEE RUSH, NINEVA RUSH and the heirs of my son REUBEN RUSH making the shares of the said ANNIS RUSH, BATHSHEBA RUSH & DORCAS*

*RUSH to be one seventh part of the proceeds arising from said sales to be equally divided among them my granddaughters,*

*Item tenth. I give & bequeath unto my two daughters MARY WRIGHT & DORCAS GOSS two hundred dollars each to be paid out of the money arising from the sale of my property not named in my will in full of these parts or partions of my estate both real and personal the notes I hold against ISAAC WRIGHT to be deducted out of his wife MARY'S Legacy above bequeath and the ballance to be paid over to the said Mary Wright.*

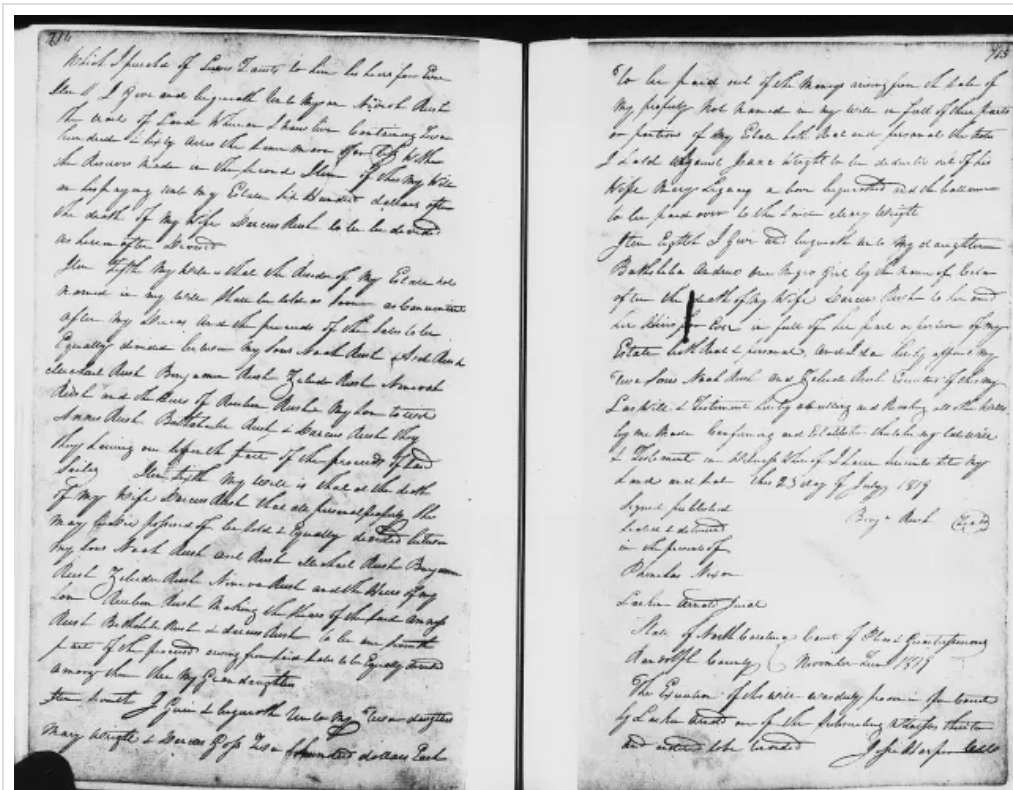
*Item 8th. I give and bequeath unto my daughter BATHSHEBA ANDREW one negro girl by the name of Cela after the death of my wife DARCAS RUSH to her and her heirs for ever in full of her share or portion of my estate both real & personal, and I do hereby appoint my two sons NOAH RUSH and ZEBEDEE RUSH Executors of this my last will and testament hereby anuling and revoking all the other wills by me made Confirming and Establishing this to my my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have Set my hand and Seal this 23 day of July 1819.*

*signed: BENJ. RUSH (Seal)*

*Signed published  
sealed & delivered I  
n the presents of  
Phenehas Nixon  
Larkin Arnold*

*State of North Carolina  
Randolph County  
Court of Pleas & Quartersessions*





# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 22, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town



clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from July 15, 2023*

- 951 Lee Rooney Sa
- 952 Benedict Jos. Feldkamp Se
- 953 Marion Lawrence Potter Ce
- 954 William M. Hazlett Se
- 955 James Ivan Woolsoncroft Ce
- 956 Elmer F. Bartram Sa
- 957 Carroll R. Woolsoncroft Ba
- 958 Floyd Leonard Coe Co
- 959 Carson Ray Hinton Onei
- 960 James Francis Cromber Ban
- 961 Walter Lee Hess Sa
- 962 LeRoy Frances Becker Ce
- 963 Wayne Hugh Griffith Se
- 964 Carl E. Baumgartner Go
- 965 Eli Edward Hartter Sa
- 966 Albert Rees Picton Sa
- 967 Glen Loyd Heiser Ce
- 968 Robin Rice Domer Ce
- 969 Glenn F. Nightingale Ce
- 970 Joy Lee Meyer Onei
- 971 George E. Erchelberger Sa
- 972 Samuel Dale Fund Go
- 973 Henry Hand Sa
- 974 Silverius Schmitz Ba
- 975 Robert Deveign Jack Sa
- 976 Brice Edwin Peck Sa

977 Evert William Meeker Se  
978 Alvin Floyd Clemens Ce  
979 Neil E Bestwick Sa  
980 Dale Dauster Murdock Ce  
981 Lawrence Gilbert White Ce  
982 Garwood David Barrett We  
983 Roy Howard Rake Se  
984 Raphael Joseph Lackey Ce  
985 Glen Maxwell Nelson Co  
986 Forrest Smith Ayers Sa  
987 Wendell B. Petersen Go  
988 Louis Alphonse Buessing Ba  
989 Lawrence Vincent Macke Ba  
990 Joe F Rethman, Jr Co  
991 Harold William Schleif Co  
992 Lawrence John Holthaus Ce  
993 Archie Orin Ward Se  
994 William Harold Long We  
995 atius F Sudbeck Se  
996 Tim Brunner  
997 Carl Adolph Lortscher Be  
998 George B. Hunninghake Ba  
999 Raymond Henry Dagu We  
1000 Gregory Henry Holthaus Se

*to be continued*

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# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 23, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: HARDING, RALSTON, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

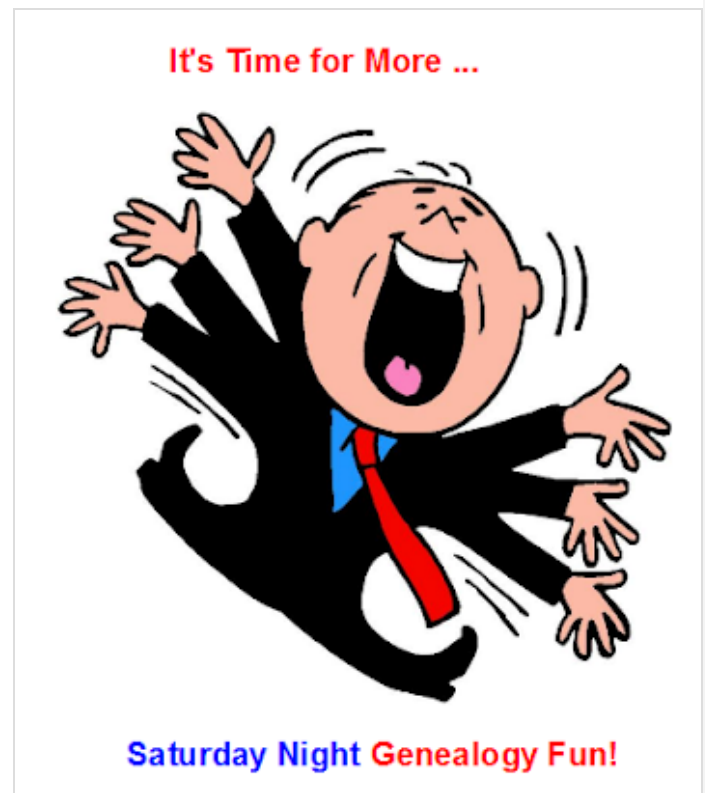
**It's Saturday Night again –  
time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you  
decide to accept it (you ARE reading this,  
so I assume that you really want to play  
along – cue the Mission Impossible  
music!):**

**1) Which of your ancestors was the  
LAST immigrant to your current  
country? When did they arrive? Where did they arrive? Why did they migrate?**

This is a difficult question when you aren't really sure which of your ancestors was the last to arrive in the continental United States.

In terms of surnames, I think the RALSTON branch of my tree has the 'last' immigrant: David Franklin Ralston. According to other researchers, David Franklin Ralston was born in Ireland in 1785 and migrated to Pennsylvania in 1803. I haven't researched David Ralston enough to be able to support these two facts with documentation. Additionally, the FamilySearch profile and the WikiTree profile also lack such documentation.



However, the Ancestry source, Irish Passenger Lists, 1803-1806 includes three passengers named David Ralston, with one of them being 15 years old. The fifteen year old David Ralston arrived from County Tyrone in May 1803.

Irish Passenger Lists, 1803-1806			
May 1803			
SHIP: STRAFFORD	TO: Philadelphia		
SAIL DATE: 14 May 1803	FROM: Londonderry		
NAME	AGE	OCCUPATION	RESIDENCE
McGAN, John	34	Farmer	Coagh
McGAN, Elizabeth	30	Spinster	Coagh
McGAN, Sarah	2		Coagh
McGAN, Elinor		Infant	Coagh
WALKER, William	30	Farmer	Coagh
WALKER, John	9	Farmer	Coagh
WALKER, Mary Anne	20	Spinster	Coagh
WALKER, Elizabeth	18	Spinster	Coagh
MITCHELL, William	20	Farmer	Cumber
CONIGHAM, Thomas	18	Farmer	Ballymoney
STEWART, Alexander	20	Labourer	Kelraghts
MOORE, John	19	Labourer	Loughgin
HAMILTON, James	23	Labourer	Loughgin
SMILY, William	23	Labourer	Kelraghts
CLARKE, Edward	40	Farmer	Enniskillen
MILLEY, John	45	Farmer	Enniskillen
LOUGHRIDGE, William	30	Farmer	Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Margaret	24		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Jane	7		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, James	5		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Eliza	2		Cookstown
HARKIN, Nancy	30	Seamstress	Birdstown
HARKIN, Nelly	4		Birdstown
HARKIN, William	6		Birdstown
CHAMBERS, John	20	Farmer	County Tyrone
GRAY, William	24	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	45	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Mary	40		County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	15		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Mary	12		County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	9		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Joseph	5		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	2		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	44	Seamstress	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Robert	19	Labourer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	15	Labourer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, John	11		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Jane	8		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	5		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Joseph	2		County Tyrone
RALSTON, John	40	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Sarah	40	Seamstress	County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	9		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Andrew	7		County Tyrone
RALSTON, William	3		County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	5		County Tyrone
SHEAN, Elinor	60		County Down
ANDERSON, Mary	24		County Down
ANDERSON, Mary	2		County Down
WILSON, John	22	Farmer	
CARR, William	20	Farmer	
MOORE, James	19	Farmer	Ballykelly

While I consider David Ralston my 'last' immigrant, some could look at my tree and make the case that I have an 'immigrant' ancestor who came much later than David Ralston.

My ancestor, William Gillies Harding was born in 1804 in New Brunswick. William Harding was listed on the 1851 census of Kings County, New Brunswick. By 1860, he and his family were living in Black Hawk County, Iowa.

I don't count William Gillies Harding as an immigrant ancestor because his father, William Harding was born in 1772 in Orange county, New York. William Gillies Harding's grandfather, William Harding, was a Loyalist and moved with his family to New Brunswick about 1783. Since my HARDING line was in New York prior to the revolution, I do not consider William Gillies Harding to be an immigrant ancestor, even though he technically would be.

# Richard Foster

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 24, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

**Richard Foster** was born about 1 Jul 1779 in Maryland.

He lived in Ross County, Ohio before 1800.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1801 in Ross County, Ohio.

He married Rachel Browning on 26 Feb 1801 in Frederick, Maryland, United States.

Richard was the father of Jeremiah Browning Foster who was born on 10 Jun 1802 in Pike County, Ohio.

He was the father of John Foster who was born on 11 Feb 1804 in Pike County, Ohio.

He was the father of Eliza Foster who was born on 17 May 1806 in Pike County, Ohio.

Richard was listed on the tax rolls in 1807 in Ross County, Ohio.

He was the father of Zebulon Foster who was born on 19 Aug 1808 in Pike County, Ohio.

He was the father of Cassandra Foster who was born on 31 May 1811 in Pike County, Ohio.

Richard was the father of Lemuel Green Foster who was born on 2 Feb 1814 in Pike County, Ohio.

He was the father of Asenath Foster who was born on 5 Jun 1816 in Pike County, Ohio.

He was the father of Thomas Foster who was born on 15 Aug 1818 in Pike County, Ohio.

Richard lived in Jackson Township, Pike County, Ohio in 1820. with 2 males under 10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 16-18, 4 males 16-26, 1 male 26-45, 2 females under 10, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 16-26, 1 female 26-45, listed as Richard Foster

He was the father of Seth Clark Foster who was born on 21 May 1821 in Pike County, Ohio.

He filed land entry papers for land being the NE 1/4 of Section 10 in Township 21N of Range 9W on 10 Apr 1829 in Warren County, Indiana.

Richard filed land entry papers for land being the W1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 10 in Township 21N of Range 9W on 10 Apr 1829 in Warren County, Indiana.

He lived in Jackson Township, Pike County, Ohio in 1830. with 1 male 5-10, 1 male 10-15, 1 male 15-20, 2 males 20-30, 1 male 50-60, 1 male 80-90, 1 female 5-10, 2 females 10-15, 1 female 15-20 and 1 female 40-50 in the household, listed as Richard Foster

He filed land entry papers land being the West half of the northwest quarter of section 14 township 21 north of range nine West from the United States on 1 Nov 1830 in Warren County, Indiana. NW Section 14 T21N Range 9W (80 Acres)

Richard filed land entry papers for land being the W1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 15 in Township 21N of Range 9W on 1 Nov 1830 in Warren County, Indiana. W1/2 NE1/4 Section 15 T21N range 9W (80 acres)

He died on 7 Jun 1831 at the age of 51 in Pike County, Ohio.

He signed a will on 7 Jun 1831 in Pike County, Ohio.

Richard was buried at Foster Family Cemetery in Pike County, Ohio.



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# Franklin Township

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 25, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO

While I've been updating my research on my ancestor, Richard Foster, it is hard to limit my research to just Richard and not research the entire Foster family in Ross and Pike counties. Thus, when I found 'John Foster's Reminiscences' in the Franklin Township chapter of the book about the Early Settlers and Settlement of Ross County, Ohio, I had to take note. (on [archive.org](https://archive.org))



*Pioneer Record*

*Reminiscences*

*Early Settlers and Settlement*

*Ross County, Ohio*

*By Isaac J. Finley and Rufus Putnam*

*Cincinnati: Robert Clarke & Co., 1871*

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*Franklin Township*

Rev. John Foster, of the M. E. Church, uncle of Colonel Foster, was born in 1771, died in 1839, was in the war of 1812 as captain of a company, and was father of twelve children, to-wit: Sarah, Ruth, Catherine, Betsy, Joseph, John, Casandra, Mary, Rachel, Thomas, Rebecca, and Nancy. Lewis Foster, another uncle, was born December 26, 1760, and died at the age of ninety-two or three. Colonel Foster's father and his father were the first white men who rowed the canoe up the Scioto river. A Mr. Cheneworth came to Ohio the summer before Mr. Foster, but they came in wagons. T. C. Foster, son of Colonel Foster, has seven children, to-wit: Martha, Hannah, James, John, William, and George. James served from August, 1861, to January, 1866, in the late rebellion, in the

### *John Foster's Reminiscences*

*Colonel Foster's father came to Ohio in the year 1796, on an exploring expedition. He first went to Kentucky to see his brother-in-law, whose name was Cheneworth. He came up the Ohio river to the mouth of the Scioto, and up the Scioto in a canoe. In 1798 he emigrated with his family to Ohio from Cumberland county, Md. He first settled in Ross county, now Pike. From there he removed to the farm (where Colonel Foster is now living) on the banks of the Scioto, and lived in a*

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*log cabin about one year, and then built a hewed log house, the first house of the kind erected in the township. It is now standing and in good condition. Mr. Thomas Foster's family consisted of eight children, six daughters and two sons, John and Joseph. The latter died in the State of Indiana, in 1864 or 1865, at the age of seventy years. John was born August 4, 1801. He has lived in the township all his life, and occupies now the room in which he was born. He is now nearly seventy years of age, but his well-preserved physical condition would not indicate he had reached that period in life. He is a practical farmer, and one of the representative men of that great interest. His father had five brothers, Thomas, John, Benjamin, Joseph, and Richard. Richard was the first settler of Franklin township, when all was a dense wilderness, filled with wild animals of all*

*kinds. Colonel Foster has held several offices during his lifetime, both civil and military. He represented the county in the legislature in 1848; was associate judge for a short time, when he resigned; was colonel of militia for several years, and held township offices, etc., for many years. His family consists of nine children, all living, to-wit : Joseph, William E., Mary Davis, Thomas, Jane Davis, John W., James P., Samuel D., major in late rebellion, and Rebecca Ann.*

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*33d, 53d, and 59th Ohio 33d, 53d, and 59th Ohio Volunteers, and some months in an Illinois regiment the last year of the rebellion, and six months on Veatch's staff; was major of regiment eighteen months ; was at the battle of Shiloh, siege of Corinth, battle of Corinth, and in Sturgis' defeat and battle of Tallulah, and is now treasurer of the township. Colonel Foster has forty-five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.*

*List of Old Settlers— By Colonel Foster.*

*John Johnston was justice of the peace for twenty-three years; James Greearly, first school teacher; Quin Collins Goddard ; Samuel Wilson built first mill ; Richard Tomlinson, hotel-keeper at Three Locks or State dam, was justice for several years, captain of militia, auctioneer, etc.; John and*



*George Pushon were in the war of 1812; William Ridenger; Enos Moore; John Beaman; Elias Scammehorn, justice of the peace for many years; Joseph Crockett, one of the first settlers on Stony creek ; Jonathan Swyers ; Daniel Swyers was a Revolutionary soldier and was at the battle of Lundy's Lane; Allen Nixon ; Thomas Louzatta; Saul Phillips; Benjamin Phillips; J. E. Higby, extensive farmer on the river, and father-in-law of Hon. J. H. Keith, of Chillicothe; Sylvester Higby, a justice of the peace for several years, held other township offices ; Samuel Wood held township offices, was justice of the peace, etc.; Peter Bennett held township offices, and was captain of militia; S. O. Barker, justice of the peace for many years, township clerk, etc. ; James Pry; Edward Hurdell. Joseph Hern emigrated to Ohio from Germany in 1817; Mr. Hern was a soldier under Bonaparte, and was at Strasburg when Bonaparte was driven back from Russia. He went as a substitute for his brother, who is now drawing a yearly pension for his services, which Mr. Hern seems to think unjust. He will be seventy years old in April next, and is hale and hearty, and looks as though he might live that much longer ; he is a farmer, and keeps also a grocery store on the banks of the Ohio canal. Just below Mr. Hern's grocery are*

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*the three locks and the State dam across the Scioto river. The dam is nearly one hundred yards in length, and is quite a resort for fishing parties, and Mr. Hern is always prepared to entertain guests on those occasions in the best style, with anything they may call for. Thomas Tomlinson was the first lock tender, and Richard Tomlinson was tlie first grocer, at these locks.*

*Mr. James Davis' Reminiscences.*

*His father emigrated to Ohio in 1808, and settled on the high banks of the Scioto. His family consisted of eight children, to-wit: William, Lotha, James, Hannah, Marj', George, Charles, and Louisa. They removed to*

*Franklin township about 1815. He has held township offices in different capacities almost all his life. He used to be a flatboatman, and take his boats to Natchez and New Orleans trading. This occupation he followed for many years. He would sell his cargo and boats, and then foot it home. James has held different township offices. On his father's farm there was an old Indian burying ground, containing at first about twenty acres, which has from time to time been diminished by the washing away of the bank by the river, and is now almost extinct. They used to find many human bones, beads, etc., near and on the ground occupied by this graveyard. There are on the farm some four or five ancient works of different shapes and sizes, and some of them of considerable extent. There is also on this farm a salt spring or deer lick. On James Davis' farm, some years since, a company bored an oil well some seven hundred feet in depth ; but, like many other companies, they failed to strike He. At the mouth of Stony creek. General McArthur, several years since, bored a salt well, and made a considerable quantity of salt of a very good quality, but it was finally abandoned. On Mr. Davis' farm is what is known as the Foster Chapel, erected forty years since, and is a good substantial building yet. It belongs to the M. E. denomination. Mr. Davis' family consists of three children, to-wit: Emma, Mary E., and J. Russell Davis.*

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*In earlier days, Franklin was a great place for game, such as deer, bears, panthers, wild cats, etc. Indians, when Mr. Foster first settled on the river, were very plenty, and they had a trail passing along up the Scioto, which was perceptible for many years. About two miles from Mr. James Davis' farm is a circular-formed basin, some ten to twenty feet deep, which has the appearance of having at some time been much deeper. This basin is about fifty to sixty feet across, and must have been dug out for some purpose by the aborigines many years since.*

*We have been shown by Mr. J. C. Foster a beautiful robe, made of four deer skins, which he himself had captured in the hills of Franklin. He is quite a hunter, and says that there are some of those beautiful and timid*

*animals to be found in the neighboring hills yet, which almost tempted us to try our hand. We were shown by Mrs. James Foster quite a large and ancient split-bottom chair, which measured across the seat two feet and nine inches, and was used by her grandmother in her lifetime. The old lady was a very large woman, weighing about four hundred pounds; was born November 13, 1770, and died in the spring of 1841, aged seventy-one years.*



# Foster Cabin

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 26, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER

Have you ever come across a fairly recent newspaper article that wasn't a family genealogy but contained family information dating back to the late 1700s? That was my case when I was searching newspapers for 'Foster Family'. One of the articles I found was about the restoration of a cabin built "prior to 1835 when Joseph Foster and his bride Catherine Bothwell 'went to housekeeping' there." Included in the article is information about the original FOSTER land transactions and a few details about their journey from Maryland to Ohio.

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*Chillicothe Gazette (Chillicothe, OH)*

*2 Jul 1981*

*page 13*

*Restoration Gives New Life to Historic Cabin*

*By Barbara B. Kalfs*

*Gazette staff writer*

*The history of early Scioto Valley families is logged in a recently restored cabin in on the Barnhart-Cryder Farms near Hopetown.*

*John Haynes Barnhart of 1 Bellcrest Lane has realized a dream in seeing salvageable materials from a Pike County ancestral home provide a Ross County Scioto riverside "fun place." the logs formerly were part of the two-story Foster house on the west bank of the Scioto in Jackson Township (originally Pike County).*

*The house most recently was owned by his mother, Mrs. Robert A. Barnhart (Elizabeth Evans) of Grand Avenue. The land on which it stood near Omega was sold to Power Cooperatives Inc for part of a proposed electric power plantsite.*

*The ravages of wind and time had virtually razed the house. Barnhart was determined to save what he could. The “new” 15 by 15 foot cabin contains original oak and walnut logs, braces and chimney. The doors and windows are new, but approximate to the destroyed originals. The door is wood-hinged with clothes pegs affixed in pioneer style.*

*One brick in the interior chimney used now for a wood-burning stove bears the name of the brickmaker, “Thomas.” Above the mantel is a wood slab inscribed “Barnhart-Foster. 1835.”*

*“Bud” Tackett, a local contractor, joined in Barnhart’s plans and resurrected the cabin. The siding of the old house was saved for future use. There is only a sleeping loft as there was not enough left to rebuild the two stories.*

*“The roof caused us the most trouble as we had to find new shakes,” Barnhart says. “We moved everything savable last year. Bud moved the good stuff to the cabin site. Because of weather, we had to wait until after December to put up the chimney and do the chinking.”*

*Since the old house was on the west bank of the river, Barnhard selected a similarly isolated riverbank site for the cabin. The acres sold to the power company were partially acquired Sept. 19, 1799, in a sale from Nathaniel Massie to John Foster Sr. The family has records which note that for 180 pounds current Kentucky money, 300 acres were sold, being part of a 1,500 acre tract made in the name of Horatio Gates and granted by U.S. Patent assigned to James Murray. This was Virginia Military District land.*

*Another record states Nathaniel Barwell by attorney Nathaniel Massie of Adams County, Territory of the U.S. North West of the Ohio River, deeded, for 250 pounds in current Kentucky money, to John Foster of Ross County 250 acres, part of 1,000 acres granted to Barwell. Thomas Foster, a son of John Foster I, gave 500 pounds current Kentucky money for another 250 acres.*

*The cabins' familial pioneer connections, through Barnhart's maternal and paternal sides, include such prominent pioneer surnames as Barnhart, Bothwell, Chenoweth, Cryder, Evans, Foster, Haynes, Koehne, Lewis, Platter, Potter, Prather, Rittenour and Thompson.*

*The original log house which had a later addition was built prior to 1835 when Joseph Foster and his bride Catherine Bothwell "went to housekeeping" there. They lived there until 18785 when they moved to 322 Church St. in this city.*

*Barnhart's maternal grandmother, the late Mrs. C.C. (Maude Koehne) Evans, kept a family record elegant in its simplicity.*

*The Potter family roots were traced to John Potter, born in 1748 in Essex County, N.J., who was a captain in Col. Moses Jaquich's 1st Regiment. He married Rachael Thompson and they lived on (General) Braddock's Road near Uniontown, Pa.*

*Their daughter, Charlotte, married James Bothwell, who emigrated from Scotland to Virginia to Chillicothe. Their daughter, Catherine, was born in McArthur and married Joseph Foster Jr.*

*On the Foster side, the Rev. John Foster I moved from near Cumberland, Md. to what is now Pike County in 1799. The family traveled down to the Ohio to the mouth of the Scioto and poled flatboats upriver.*

*Foster, Barnhart's antecedent, died in 1800 and is buried on the old Barger Farm off Ohio 335 in Pike County. After having served in the Revolutionary War as a private, he became a Methodist minister and preached for 35 years. His last sermon was delivered near Pee Pee Prairie between Piketon and Waverly at the Snowden Sargent home.*





# Rachel Browning

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 27, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER

**Rachel Browning** was born on 17 Jun 1780 in Maryland.

She married Richard Foster on 26 Feb 1801 in Frederick, Maryland, United States.

She was the mother of Jeremiah Browning Foster who was born on 10 Jun 1802 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was the mother of John Foster who was born on 11 Feb 1804 in Pike County, Ohio.

Rachel was the mother of Eliza Foster who was born on 17 May 1806 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was the mother of Zebulon Foster who was born on 19 Aug 1808 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was the mother of Cassandra Foster who was born on 31 May 1811 in Pike County, Ohio.

Rachel was the mother of Lemuel Green Foster who was born on 2 Feb 1814 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was the mother of Asenath Foster who was born on 5 Jun 1816 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was the mother of Thomas Foster who was born on 15 Aug 1818 in Pike County, Ohio.

Rachel was the mother of Seth Clark Foster who was born on 21 May 1821 in Pike County, Ohio.

She lived in Jackson Township, Pike County, Ohio in 1840. Rachel Foster is listed on the 1840 census as the head of household with 2 males 15-20, 1 male 20-30, 1 female 15-20, 1 female 50-60 and 1 female 60-70 in the household.

She lived in Jackson Township, Pike County, Ohio on 4 Oct 1850. Rachel Foster is listed in the household of Seth C. Foster on the 1850 census. According to the census, Rachel is 69 years old and was born in Maryland.

Rachel died on 23 Mar 1858 at the age of 77 in Pike County, Ohio.

She was buried after 23 Mar 1858 at Foster Family Cemetery in Pike County, Ohio.



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# Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 28, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, FOSTER, WARREN COUNTY

## Warren County (Indiana) Atlas

Have you used plat map books? We often use these books to locate a farmstead in a county. But, have you ever found a biography in one of those books of plat maps? The 1877 Warren County (Indiana) Atlas contains some short biographies along with some photographs of both individuals and homesteads. While I have photocopies of pages from this atlas, a digitized version is available on the [Indiana Memory website](#).

While these biographies do not begin to cover the entire population of the county, I am fortunate that a biography of Zebulon Foster is found on page 27.

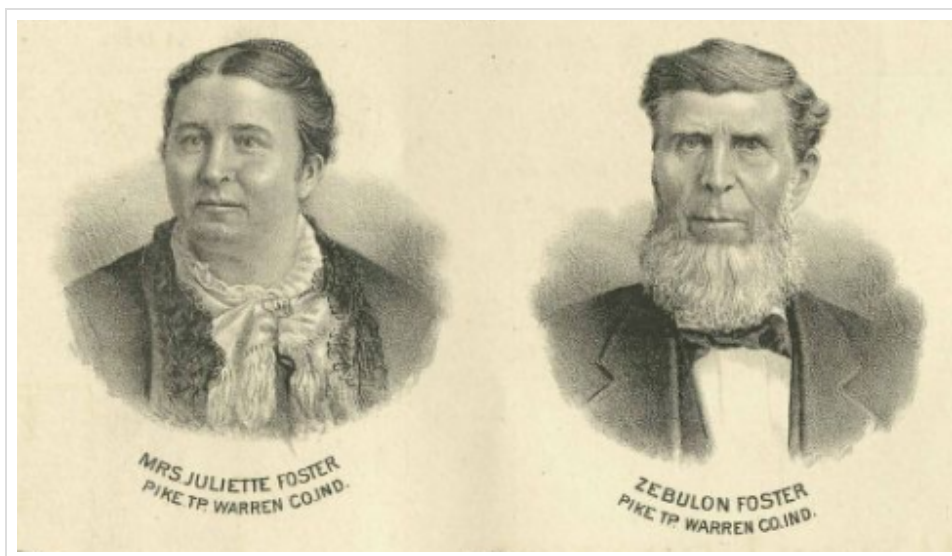
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Also in the atlas are portraits of various citizens including Zebulon and his second wife, Juliette.



The atlas also includes drawings of various farmsteads with Zebulon Foster's home being one of those featured.





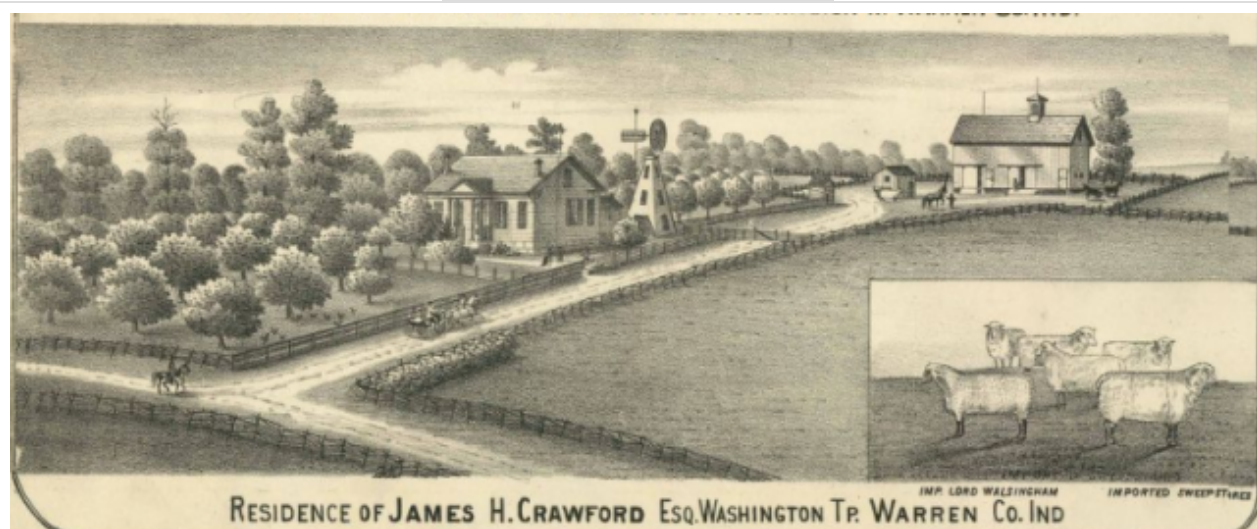
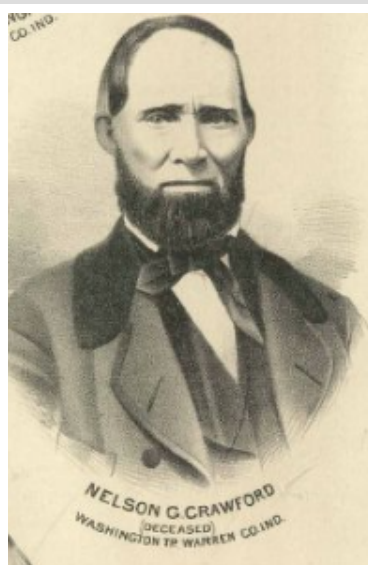
Since Warren County, Indiana is where my great-great grandmother, Mary Foster, met and married my great-great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford, I can also find information about my Crawford family in the atlas. This includes a biography of Washington Marion's father, Nelson G. Crawford, Nelson's portrait and a drawing of the farmstead passed down by Nelson to his oldest son, James H. Crawford.

” *Nelson G. Crawford, deceased, of Washington Township, was born in Preble County, Ohio, October 17, 1808; settled in Warren County, Indiana in 1829, and commenced the business of farming. On September 3, 1833, Mr. Crawford and Miss Martha Smith were joined in marriage, the fruits of which union were the following named children: James H., William C., Washington M., Mary E., Sarah A. and Corlia C. Crawford.*

*Mr. Crawford located and improved a farm in Section 8, commencing in 1832, and lived upon the same until his death which occurred March 21, 1864. He held positions of trust in his township, was a thorough business man, never having trouble of any kind with his neighbors. He gave each child one thousand dollars at the marriage and accumulated enough to own, at his death, 750 acres of land. He enjoyed the respect and confidence of his neighbors and died regretted by all who knew him. A view of the homestead will be seen in the Atlas.*

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# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 29, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from July 22, 2023*

- 951 Lee Rooney Sa
- 952 Benedict Jos. Feldkamp Se
- 953 Marion Lawrence Potter Ce
- 954 William M. Hazlett Se
- 955 James Ivan Woolsoncroft Ce
- 956 Elmer F. Bartram Sa
- 957 Carroll R. Woolsoncroft Ba
- 958 Floyd Leonard Coe Co
- 959 Carson Ray Hinton Onei
- 960 James Francis Cromber Ban
- 961 Walter Lee Hess Sa
- 962 LeRoy Frances Becker Ce
- 963 Wayne Hugh Griffith Se
- 964 Carl E. Baumgartner Go
- 965 Eli Edward Hartter Sa
- 966 Albert Rees Picton Sa
- 967 Glen Loyd Heiser Ce
- 968 Robin Rice Domer Ce
- 969 Glenn F. Nightingale Ce
- 970 Joy Lee Meyer Onei
- 971 George E. Erchelberger Sa
- 972 Samuel Dale Fund Go
- 973 Henry Hand Sa
- 974 Silverius Schmitz Ba
- 975 Robert Deveign Jack Sa
- 976 Brice Edwin Peck Sa

977 Evert William Meeker Se  
978 Alvin Floyd Clemens Ce  
979 Neil E Bestwick Sa  
980 Dale Dauster Murdock Ce  
981 Lawrence Gilbert White Ce  
982 Garwood David Barrett We  
983 Roy Howard Rake Se  
984 Raphael Joseph Lackey Ce  
985 Glen Maxwell Nelson Co  
986 Forrest Smith Ayers Sa  
987 Wendell B. Petersen Go  
988 Louis Alphonse Buessing Ba  
989 Lawrence Vincent Macke Ba  
990 Joe F Rethman, Jr Co  
991 Harold William Schleif Co  
992 Lawrence John Holthaus Ce  
993 Archie Orin Ward Se  
994 William Harold Long We  
995 atius F Sudbeck Se  
996 Tim Brunner  
997 Carl Adolph Lortscher Be  
998 George B. Hunninghake Ba  
999 Raymond Henry Dagu We  
1000 Gregory Henry Holthaus Se

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# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 30, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

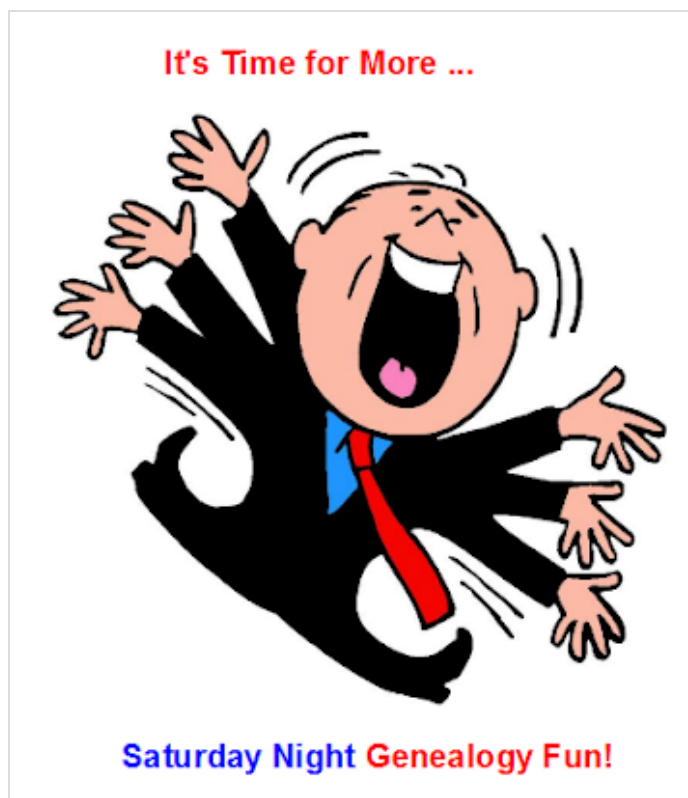
**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –  
time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) What genealogy search/research did you do this past week? Did you have a research goal or plan? Tell us about one or more search/research session. Did you make any breakthroughs in your research?**

Around July 1, I realized that I wasn't making much progress on my 2023 goals. Thus, I changed my 'methodology' and adopted and modified a process that some other genealogy blogger use. These bloggers spend a month digging into an ancestor. At the end of the month, they switch to another ancestor. My modification was to work on one of my 3rd great-grandparent couples each week.





While this timeline doesn't allow me to do much in-depth research, it does allow me to update my sources. In addition, it provides the opportunity to use sources that weren't readily available when I previously researched these ancestors. Thus, I am researching digitized newspapers and the digitized county records on FamilySearch.

About the time I started this process, FamilySearch revealed their new [United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search](#). This tool, has been very valuable. Using this resource, I was able to QUICKLY locate quite a few deeds. (see my post, [Experimental Search](#))

While I've been updating the research, I've also been writing blog posts. Since the vast majority of my blog posts are scheduled into the future, the blog posts from this past week's research about [Jason Hammond](#) will start appearing August 14. My posts dated July 24 thru July 27 were the result of my FOSTER research from two weeks ago.

While some (likely many) will not view this method of switching research subjects every week as productive, I have actually found that I have been very productive these past few weeks.

# Warren County History

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ JULY 31, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER, WARREN COUNTY

Do you have county histories in your genealogy library? While younger genealogists may not be purchasing copies of these old books, I know that I have several in my collection. And while these books were (and likely still are) expensive, they have proven valuable to have at my fingertips.

But, it is unlikely that I will be purchasing similar books in the future. The major reason for this is the availability of digital books. I'm sure my readers are used to accessing books on sites like [Archive.org](#), [Google Books](#) and [FamilySearch](#). And those are my go-tos when I'm looking for a digital copy of a book.

However, there is another source to check for a digital book that I often forget to use: [Ancestry](#). When I was looking for a digital copy of the book, [Counties of Warren, Benton, Jasper and Newton, Indiana](#) I found it on [Ancestry](#).

I love that these various sites provide access to digital books. Not only do the search functions help me find all mentions of a family name in the book but they don't require space on my crowded bookshelves!

While updating my [FOSTER](#) research, I decided to not only locate mentions of [Zebulon Foster](#) in the [History of Warren County](#) section of the book [Counties of Warre, Benton, Jasper and Newton, Indiana](#) but to transcribe those mentions.

On page 151, the author discusses the Churches of West Lebanon. [Zebulon Foster](#) is mentioned in the portion about the Methodist class.



” *The Methodist class of Lebanon was organized about the year 1837, in the old schoolhouse, by Rev. Ansel Beach (probably). Among the first members were Jesse Swisher, Delos Warren, Rev. Colbreath Hall, Edward P. Marshall, George Beymer, David Etnire, Zebulon Foster, Samuel Wood, Charles Hayward, William B. Owens, Josiah J. Cooper and others.*

Then on page 170 is a biography of Zebulon Foster.

” *Zebulon Foster, one of the pioneers of Warren County, was born in Pike County, Ohio, August 19, 1808, and is a son of Richard and Rachel (Browning) Foster, both natives of Maryland; the former died in Pike County, Ohio, in 1831, the latter in the same county in 1856. Mr. Foster received what education he has in the subscription schools of Ohio. He worked for his father until he was twenty-five, when he was married to Miss Caroline Ostrander on February 14, 1833, daughter of Dr. Edward and Margaret Ostrander. To this union were born twelve children — Edward, Rachel, Eliza W., Mary, William and Harriet : the others died in infancy. After marriage, Mr. Foster came to Warren County, where he built a cabin 16×18 feet, and entered 400 acres, which he subsequently improved. Mrs. Foster died June 3, 1871. On August 31, 1877, Mr. Foster was married to Mrs. Juliet Russell, daughter of Andrew and Ann Fleming. Mr. and Mrs. Foster are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Foster is a staunch Republican and has been Township Trustee for five years.*

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Addendum: I was reminded by Linda Stufflebeam that she has compiled a list (with links) of the county histories that have been published. Check out her links!

- [Indiana County Histories](#)
- [State list – with links to each state's county histories](#)

# Harriet Foster Fleming

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 1, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER, OSTRANDER

Buried in my FOSTER files is an obituary clipping and transcript for Harriet Foster Fleming. I evidently received this from the Iroquois County Genealogical Society in **1982**. While I likely would not have thought about requesting an obituary from a genealogical society *today*, I am thankful that they provide this service, especially since I haven't found this particular paper in a digital format.

And this obituary is chock full of information!



*Transcription obtained from Iroquois County Genealogical Society*

*Copied from the Watseka Republican Wednesday March 7, 1906*

*Lifelong Companion — The death of a Devoted Wife and Mother*

*Mrs. Harriet Foster Fleming passes away Sunday morning. Wedded to her childhood schoolmate, John J. Fleming. The youngest of six children and the first one to depart from this life.*

*Died Sunday morning at 6 o'clock, at her late residence in Watseka, Mrs. Harriet Foster Fleming, wife of John J. Fleming, aged 57 years, 4 months and 20 days.*

*Harriet Foster was the daughter of Zebulon and Carolyn Foster. She was born near West Lebanon, Ind., October 14, 1848. She was the youngest of*

*six children and is the first of the family, with the exception of the parents to pass away.*

*Near West Lebanon Harriet Foster grew to womanhood. At the age of sixteen she united with the Methodist church and her life has been a beautiful example of the practice of Christian virtues. On September 17, 1868, she was married at the home of her parents on the same farm upon which she grew to maturity, to John J. Fleming, who was reared in the same neighborhood and attended the same school in the early days. The following spring after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Fleming came to Iroquois County and settled upon a farm twelve miles southeast of Watseka where they lived until 1877, when they moved back to Warren County, Ind. In 1885 they came back to this County and made their home in Watseka, where they have since lived.*

*Mrs. Fleming was the mother of three children: Nellie, wife of Iven Hoys, Lola Bell, wife of John Braden, of Kentland and Lula Bell who died in 1897. The two latter were twins. Besides the two daughter, the five brothers and sisters who survive are: Edward Foster, of Urbanna, Ill.; Rachel Creider, wife of J.C. Briggs, Onarga, Eliza E., wife of George T. Bell, West Lebanon, Ind.; Mrs. Mary Crawford, Dodge City, Kan. and William Foster of Danville. Four cousins whose parents died when they were young and being left orphans were taken into the Foster family and grew up with the six children and their relations were as brothers and sisters. These cousins are O. P. Stufflebeam, of Rossville, Morgan Stufflebeam, of Judaville, Ind.; Miller Stufflebeam, of LaFayette, Ind. and Mrs. Margaret Burberick, who lives in the state of Washington. Besides these two children of Mrs. Hoyt and two children of Mrs. Braden also survive. The brothers and sisters, Mr. Stufflebeam of Rossville and Mrs. Briggs' daughter, Mrs. T. W. Anderson, of Donovan, with her husband were present at the funeral.*

*As a lover of her home and family and as a woman possessing the qualities inseparable from a good wife and mother Mrs. Fleming had few*

*equals. She led a quiet life, cheerfully discharging the duties which fell to her lot. The even tenor of her happy home life received a great shock in the death of her beloved daughter Lula eight years ago. Although the loss seemed irreconcilable her Christian faith and fortitude bore her up under the great burden of grief, as ti did during the many months of suffering previous to her death, Mrs. Fleming was an active worker in the Methodist church. At one time she was President of the Aid Society. She was also a member of the Woman's Relief Corps.*

*Both during the time immediately preceding her death when her ailment took an acute form and after she had passed away neighbors and friends rendered the assistance customary under such circumstances for which the family is very grateful. She has gone — she hs left us — she has moved out of the old house. She has gone to a home not made by hands, eternal in the heavens.*

*The funeral services were held at the residence yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. Wellington Frizzelle and Rev. W. D. Smith. The burial took place at the G.A.R. cemetery.*

*NOTE: Stufflebeam cousins are the children of Harriet Ostrander and John Stufflebeam*

**"WATSEKA REPUBLICAN", (WATSEKA, ILLINOIS), "OBITUARY OF MRS. HARRIET FOSTER FLEMING" 7 MARCH 1906;**

## LIFELONG COMPANION

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Mrs. Fleming was the mother of three children: Nellie, wife of Rev. Lela Bell, retired from the ministry of Watahka, and Lela Bell, who is now residing in Watahka. The two children, Nellie and Lela, are both married and have families of their own.

Chick, wife of J. C. Briggs, Danville, Ind.; wife of George T. Bell, Lebanon, Ind.; Mrs. Mary Dyer, Dodge City, Kan., and William, son of Danville. Four cousins whose parents died when they were young and being left orphans were taken into the Foster family and grew up with the six children and their families were as brothers and sisters. These cousins are O. P. Stufflebeam, Roseville; Morgan Stufflebeam, Spaulville, Ind.; Miller Stufflebeam, La. Square, Ind.; and Mrs. Margaret Stufflebeam, who lives in the state of Washington. Besides these two children of Mrs. Foster and two children of Mrs. Braden also survive. The brothers and sisters, Mr. Stufflebeam of Roseville and Mrs. Briggs' daughter Mrs. T. W. Anderson of Danville, with her husband were present at the funeral.

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# Dear Linda

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 2, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: OSTRANDER, OVERTON COUNTY, THOMPSON, WELLS, WHITE

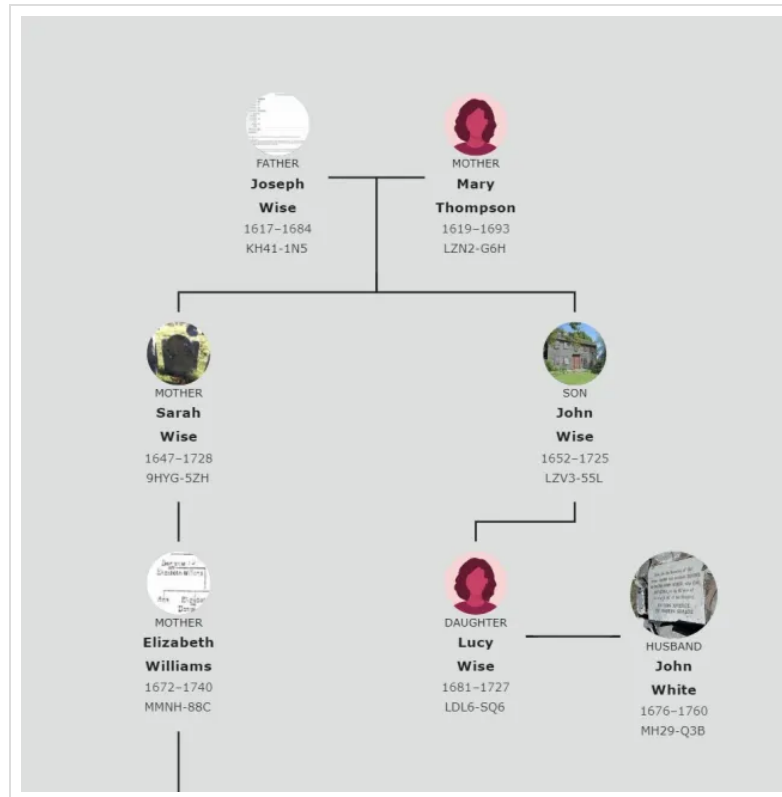
Are we cousins? Or am I a cousin to your husband? I recently worked with an obituary that identified O. P. Stufflebeam, Morgan Stufflebeam, Miller Stufflebeam and Mrs. Margaret Burberick as cousins of the children of Harriet Foster Fleming. When I read those names, I immediately thought of you and your [Empty Branches on the Family Tree](#) blog and wondered if there is a connection.

Thanks to the FamilySearch tree, I found that these are the children of [John Stufflebeam](#) and Harriet Ostrander. It is the OSTRANDER line that connects Harriet Foster Fleming to the Stufflebeam children. Harriet's mother, Caroline Ostrander, was a sister of Harriet Ostrander. Their father, Dr. Edward Ostrander, would be the common ancestor between myself and these Stufflebeam lines.

I was aware that we share New Brunswick lines. However, when I browsed the various topics you have written about, I found several other possible connections.

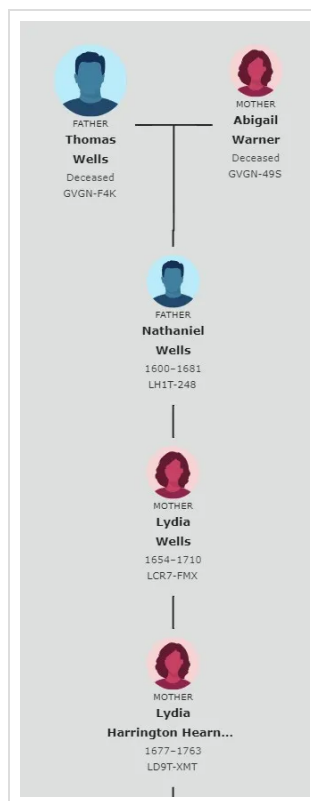
- [Adams](#) — My ADAMS research is part of my Garrard County, Kentucky CRAWFORD Fan Club research. While browsing her ADAMS posts did not reveal a connection, the presence of her ADAMS research in Overton County, Tennessee was intriguing. One of my close CRAWFORD yDNA matches is an Overton County, Tennessee brick wall.
- [Kennedy](#) — My Kennedy line is a New England line while her post is about Thomas Kennedy who died in Bourbon county, Kentucky. While this is a different Thomas Kennedy in early Kentucky, my CRAWFORD research connects to the KENNEDY family that owned land along Paint Lick Creek in Garrard County.
- [Thompson](#) — It will take much reading of her Thompson's posts and research, but it is possible that my Thompson line connects to her research. The earliest information I

- **White** — We both have the New England WHITE surname in our trees. However, when I found her **Rev. John White** on Family Search and looked at our relationship, our relationship is thru the WISE line and not the WHITE line.



- Wells – Like our common WHITE surnames, her blog contains information on a Thomas Wells. My WELLS line goes back thru three generations of men named Thomas Wells. Unfortunately, none of my ancestors are the same Thomas Wells. When I looked at my relationship to her Thomas Wells who married Abigail Warner, I did not find a relationship thru my WELLS line. Instead, the FamilySearch tree shows Thomas Wells and Abigail Warner as my ancestors going back thru Richmond Fisk Hammond's (my second great grandfather) FISK line thru Jonathan FISK.





While we may not be closely related, I am thankful that Linda has so generously shared her research! Check out her [Empty Branches of the Family Tree](#) to see if your research connects with hers!

# Edward Ostrander Will

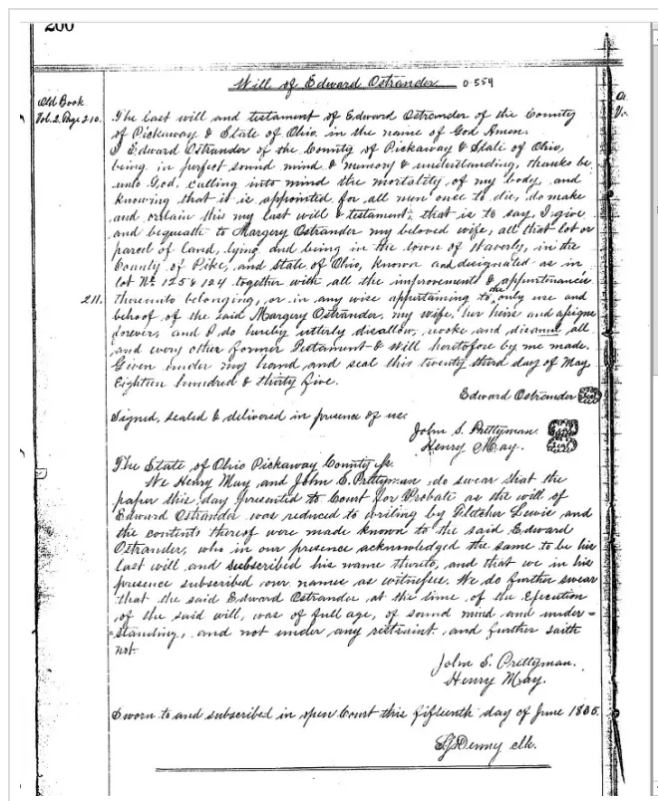
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 3, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: OHIO, OSTRANDER

Do you have filing cabinets full of paper? Have you ever thought about discarding any of it? Several years ago, I scanned a lot of my paper files. While I discarded most of it, I still have three filing cabinet drawers full. As I've been working thru my 3rd great grandparents, I've also been working thru some of these paper files.

In my Ostrander file, I found a photocopy of a will for Edward Ostrander from Pickaway county, Ohio. Not only do I have the photocopy but I also have the receipt for my order from the Probate Division of Common Pleas Court in Pickaway county.



COST BILL AND RECEIPT  
PROBATE DIVISION OF COMMON PLEAS COURT, PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO

CASE No. \_\_\_\_\_ DOC. \_\_\_\_\_ pg. \_\_\_\_\_ ESTATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$ 1.00 ONE NO 100 DOLLARS DATE FEB. 9 1989

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Rev. Code, Sec. 2101.16		FEES
(26) Deposit of Will	\$3.00	
(33) Probating Will Judgement \$15.00 (33) record Foreign Will \$10.00 (33) Record \$1.00	\$5.00	
(33) Proof of Notice to Beneficiary	\$5.00	
(34) Appointment (34) Extr. (34) Adm. (34) Cde. (34) Trustee \$15.00 (8) Letters \$2.00		
(34) Plus Advertising		
(39) Release of Estate from Administration \$20.00 (39) Wards		
(40) Inventory with appraisement \$10.00 (41) Without appraisement \$7.00 plus Advertising		
(33) Election of Surviving Spouse \$5.00 (13) Complaint to elect \$5.00		
(86) Schedule of Claims	\$5.00	
(9) Compl. Order for New Bond, Addl. Bond, Reduction or Release (10)	\$5.00	
(3) Estate Tax \$5.00 (3) Preliminary Tax \$20 and return Notice		
(67) Compl. Judgement and Certificate for Transfer of Real Estate	\$7.00	
(49) Newly Discovered Assets, Report	\$7.00	
(18) Appointment of Commissioners for any purpose \$5.00 (18) Commissioners Fee \$20.00		
(65) Removal of Fiduciary	\$10.00	
(72) Settlement of Claim for Wrongful Injury or Death	\$20.00	
(24) Partnership Continue Business \$10.00 (24) Report \$5.00 each		
(1) Account filing or Affidavit in Lieu plus advertising	\$10.00	
(1) Forms, cost bill, cash book, record	\$10.00	
(67) Postage		
(63) Complaint to Sell Personal Property Public Sale \$10.00 (64) Private Sale \$5.00	\$5.00	
(19) Complaint and Judgement (fees or others)	\$7.00	
(29) Complaint, Order, Report of Distribution of Assets in Kind		
(1) Complaint (55) Surv. Spouse Pur. Real Estate, (21) Complete Contract, \$10.00 (38) Release, Improve Real Estate, (48) Mortgage Real Estate, (25) Declaratory Judgement, (37) Determine Heirship, (4) Appropriation (52) Presumption of Death, or (23) Construction of Will	\$20.00	
(1) Appointment of Guardian Ad Litem \$5.00 (67) Guardian Fee \$15.00		
(46) Marriage License \$10.00 (66) Certified Copy \$2.00 (67) Special Fund \$17.00	Total \$1.00	
(46) Marriage Certificate \$2.00 (50) Registering Physician \$5.00		
(1) Birth Certificate \$7.00 (1) Death Certificate \$7.00		
(7) Registration of Birth \$7.00 (8) Correction of Birth \$5.00 plus Cert.		
(3) Complaint for Adoption \$20.00 (14) Change of Name \$20.00 (67) plus fees		
(A) Inquest Commissioner \$12.00 (8) Discharge \$7.00 (C) Return to Hospital \$2.00		
(E) Habeas Corpus	\$10.00	
(1) Extra Record \$1.00 per page		
(C) DEPOSIT ( )		
(1) Fees for ( ) Sheriff ( ) Witness ( ) Attorney ( ) Printer ( ) Recorder		
(1) Fees		
<u>1.00</u> <u>photo copy</u>		<u>1.00</u>
ROGER L. KLINE, JUDGE	TOTAL \$	<u>1.00</u>

I recently learned about a new feature on the FamilySearch site called ‘United States Will and Deeds Experimental Search’ (See my Experimental Search post) While I was playing around on this site, I tried to find this same will. I entered the surname OSTRANDER in the search box and then limited the results to Ohio and Pickaway county. That search found 21 items including wills, deeds and a reference to genealogies of pioneer families.

FamilySearch

United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search

Caution:

This experimental search experience is investigating new ways to access hard to find records. As an experiment FamilySearch makes no guarantee of the availability of this system. We welcome your feedback on the usefulness of this tool.

Keyword

Ostrander

Search

States

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Years

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☐ 1835 (1)


Results 1 - 20 of total 21 results for Ostrander

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Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851

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Persons

Margery Ostrander  
Edward Ostrander  
Joseph Olds  
S. S. Denny  
Fletcher Lewis

Places

Thomas Aland  
County of Pickaway  
State of Ohio  
town of Waverly  
Pickaway County

Years

1835


Occupations

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Pickaway Deeds v. 11-12 1832-1835

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Persons

Margery Ostrander  
Margery Ostrander  
Ostrander  
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Places

County of Ross aforesaid  
Pickaway  
Recoverd  
County of Pickaway

Years

1834  
1834  
1824


Occupations

Sheriff  
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Ostrander Edward

Places

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Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851

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Manner Ostrander  
Henry May  
Edward Ostrumber  
S. Kullyman

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town of Woody  
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Lancaster  
State of Ohio

Years

1858  
1830  
1834

Occupations

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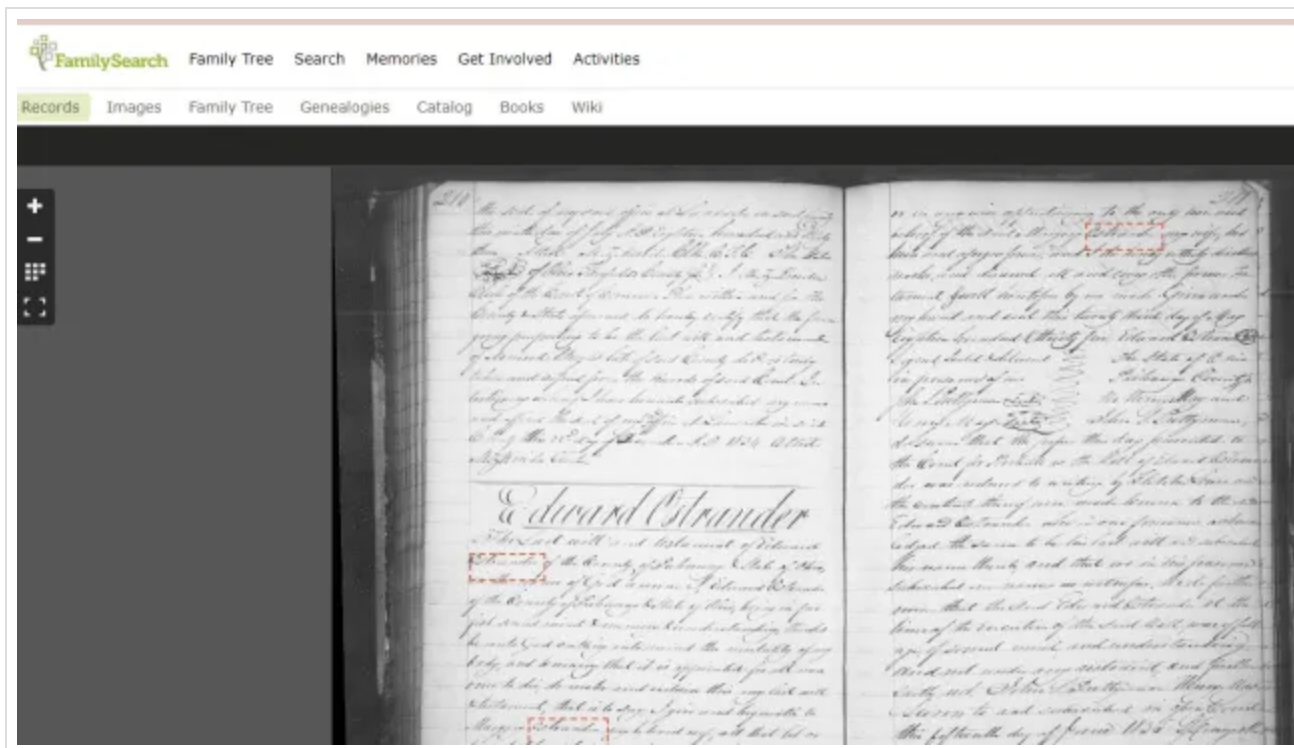
The very first ‘find’, the Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851, provided a link to an image of the same will and a transcription of that will.

https://heartlandgenealogy.org/?format=pdf&post-type=post&order-date=asc&order-menu=asc&statuses%5B%5D=publish&dates%5Bafter%5D=... 166/510



Ohio, Pickaway County. Probate Records, 1810-1936. Film #288397 item 4 DGS 5865656. Edward Ostrander, 1835; Old Book Vol. 2: page 200 (image 427 of 608); digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 19 July 2023.

The fourth item on the list of results, Pickaway Wills v. 3 1838-1851, goes to pages 210 and 211 — those same pages mentioned in the margin on the copy of the will I obtained from the county.



Ohio, Pickaway County. Probate Records, 1810-1936. Film #288397 DGS 5865656.  
 Edward Ostrander, 1835; Will Record Book 2: page 210 (image 274 of 608);  
 digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 19  
 July 2023

While the experimental search feature does not provide film numbers or the image number, there was enough information for me to locate the same images and create my citations. Fortunately, those records were not 'locked' allowing me to find them from my home.

Using the 'View Full Text Transcript' link on the Experimental Search site, I was able to copy/paste the transcript into my notes and make any needed corrections. This was a lot faster than my transcribing the will myself.

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Ross County Ohio  
 Will

page 200

Pickaway County, OHio  
 Probate Records,s 1810-1936

*Wills v. 3 1838-1851*

*Film 288397 item 4*

*DGS 5865656*

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*Old Book*

*Vol. 2 page 210-211*

*Will of Edward Ostrander*

*The last will and testament of Edward Ostrander of the County of Pickaway & State of Ohio in the name of God Amen, I Edward Ostrander of the County of Pickaway & State of Ohio being in perfect sound mind & memory & understanding, thanks be unto God, calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will & testament, that is to say, I give and bequeath to Margery Ostrander, my beloved wife, all that lot or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Waverly, in the County of Pike, and State of Ohio, known and designated as in lot No. 125 & 124 together with all the improvements & appurtenances*

*page 211*

*thereunto belonging, or in any wise appurtenant to the only use and behoof of the said Margery Ostrander, my wife her heirs and assigns forever, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disanul all and every other former testament & will heretofore by me made. Given under my hand and seal this twenty third day of May eighteen hundred & thirty five Edward Ostrander (seal)*

*Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of us*

*John S Prettyman (seal)*

*Henry May (seal)*

*The State of Ohio Pickaway County SS*

*We Henry May and John S. Prettyman, do swear that the paper this day*

*presented to court for Probate as the will of Edward Ostrander was reduced to writing by Fletcher Lewis and the contents thereof were made known to the said Edward Ostrander, who in our presence acknowledged the same to be his last will and subscribed his name thereto, and that we in his presence subscribed our names as witnesses. We do further swear that the said Edward Ostrander at the time of the execution of the said will was of full age, of sound mind and understanding and not under any restraint and further saith not.*

*John S. Prettyman*

*Henry May*

*Sworn to and subscribed in open court this fifteenth day of June 1835*

*S J Denny clk*

**OHIO, PICKAWAY COUNTY. PROBATE RECORDS, 1810-1936. FILM #288397 ITEM 4 DGS 5865656. EDWARD OSTRANDER, 1835; OLD BOOK VOL. 2: PAGE 200 (IMAGE 427 OF 608); DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILYSEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE 19 JULY 2023.**





# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 4, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: AMHERST COUNTY, DUGGINS, VIRGINIA

Do you remember turning the handle of a microfilm reader to view copies of land records? If so, did you photocopy any of those records? And, would those photocopies still occupy space in a notebook or file folder?

I have to admit to having such photocopies in my files. Fortunately, I copied the details of the deed onto the back of the photocopy, since many of the copies in my filing cabinet are illegible. When FamilySearch digitized their microfilm, they must have performed some sort of miracle to enhance the quality since I can read a digital version of one of those illegible deeds in my files.

Today's Friday Finds, is such a record. I have a photocopy of an Amherst County Virginia deed in my file for the sale of land by Alexander Duggins.

11th March 1794  
 This indenture made this sixteenth day of June in the  
 year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four  
 between Alexander Duggins of Amherst County of the one part  
 and Benjamin Goode of the same County of the other part  
 Witnesseth that the said Benjamin Goode for and in consideration  
 of the sum of ten pounds current money of Virginia  
 to him in hand paid by the said Alexander Duggins the receipt  
 whereof is hereunto by these presents set forth Benjamin Goode hath granted  
 sold aliened and conveyed by these presents set forth Benjamin Goode  
 and his heirs the said Benjamin Goode unto to his heirs the  
 said Alexander Duggins one certain parcel of land containing  
 thirty acres of land situate to the same land in the  
 parish of St. James's county adjoining the land for and in the  
 property of Henry Childress on the top of the Blue Ridge  
 the same land that was granted to Alexander Duggins by Bland  
 bearing date at Richmond the twenty fourth day of July one  
 thousand seven hundred and eighty seven in the presence of the  
 said Benjamin Goode to have and to hold the above said land together  
 with all and singular the appurtenances thereto in full and  
 complete forever unto the said Alexander Duggins his heirs and assigns  
 forever with the said Benjamin Goode

Duggins.VA.ca  
 Book G p382-383  
 This indenture made this sixteenth day of June 1794  
 Alexander Duggins of Amherst Co. of one part and  
 Benjamin Goode of same County of other part  
 Sum of 10 pounds current money of VA  
 parcel of land containing 30 acres adjoining the land  
 formerly the property of Henry Childress on the top of the Blue  
 Ridge and the same land that was granted to Alexander  
 Duggins by Bland? bearing date at Richmond the 24th July  
 1787 and now in possession of the Benjamin Goode  
 Signed Alexander Duggins  
 (by mark)  
 Witness G W Campbell  
 Burcher Whitehead  
 Willeam Camden

Thanks to FamilySearch's new 'United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search', I was able to do a search for Duggins and locate the deed in question and obtain a transcript of the deed!

**FamilySearch**

**United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search**

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Keyword: Duggins

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☒ Virginia (34)

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☐ Rockingham (5)

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[Amherst Deed books, v. F-G 1785-1796](#)

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
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Land that was granted by persons for Alexander Duggins of Richmond bearing date the Seventy fourth day of July One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Seven where the corses will more fully appear the Land Lying and being in the County of Amherst it and on both sides of Pealer River and now in the possession of the said John Camden to have and to hold the aforesaid Tract or parcel of Land together with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging to the said John Camden his heirs and Assigns for ever and the said Alexander Ding for himself and his heirs doth covenant and agree with to Said John Camden and his heirs that the said Alexander Duggins and his heirs the aforesaid Tract or parcel of Land and premises thereto Belonging to the said John Camden and to his heirs and Assigns Will Warrant forever Defend by these presents In Witness whereof the said Alexander Daylions hath hereunto set his hand affixed his seal the date and year above written AlexanSigned Sealed Delivered Burcher

[Arlington Augusta Amherst Rappahannock Culpeper Chesterfield Contents: v. 1. For the period of years 1785 to 1](#)

Thus, I now have a full transcription and images of the deed that I can actually read. If you haven't checked out this new Experimental Search, it is worth investigating!

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*Amherst County, Virginia*

*Deed books, 1761-1900,*

*Deed books, v. F-G 1785-1796*

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*Deed Book G (1791-1796)*

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*This Indenture made this Sixteenth day of June in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and ninety four Between Alexander Duggins of Amherst County of the one part and Benjamin Goode of the same County of the Othe Other part Witnesseth that the said Alexander Diggon for and in consideration of the sum of Ten pounds Current Money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said Benjamin Goode hath Granted*

*bargained and sold and by these presents doth Grant Bargain  
and Sell unto the said Benjamin Goode and to his heirs  
Assigns forever One Certain Tract or parcel of Land Containing  
Thirty acres by Estimation be the same more or less & is that  
part of a Tract of Land adjoining the Land formerly the  
property of Henry Childress on the top of the Blue Ridge and is  
the same Land that was Granted to Alexander Duggins by Patent  
Bearing date at Richmond the twenty fourth day of July One  
Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty seven and now in the possession of  
the  
Benjamin Goode to have and to hold the aforesaid Tract or parcel of  
Land together with all and singular the appurtenances thereto be  
longing to the said Benjamin Goode his heirs and assigns for ever  
the said Alexander Duggins for him self and his heirs doth Covenant  
and agree with the said Benjamin Goode and his heirs that he  
The said Alexander Duggins & his heirs the aforesaid tract or parcel of  
Land and premises thereto Belonging to the said Benjamin Goode  
to his heirs and assigns will Warrant and forever defend by these  
presents in witness whereof the said Alexander Duggins hath hereunto*

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*Set his hand and Seal the day and year above Written  
Alexandder (his mark) Duggins (seal)*

*Signed Sealed and Delivered*

*In the presents of*

*J WCampbell*

*Burches Whitehead*

*William Camden*

*At a court held for Amherst County the 6th day of June 1794 This  
Deed indented was proven by the Oaths of John M Campbell  
Burcher Whitehead & William Camdon witnesses thereto and  
Ordered to be Recorded*

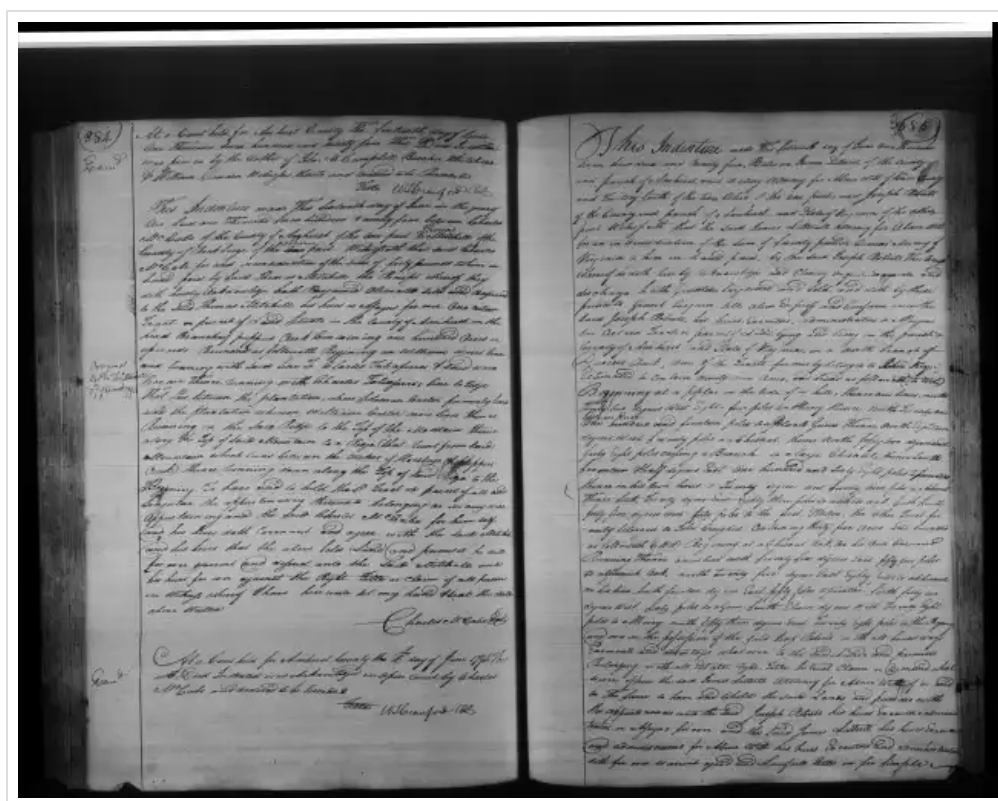
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*W H Crawford Clk*

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that the said Will Alexander Duggins for and in consideration of the  
Sum of thirty pounds Current Money of virginia to him in hand  
paid by John Camden hath granted to bargained and Sold and  
by these presents doth grant Bargain and sell unto the said  
John Camden and to his heirs and assigns forever one certain  
Tract or parcel of Land containing by Estimation two hundred and  
Twenty acres be the same more or less and is a part of a Tract of  
Land that was Granted by pattentto Alexander Duggins at  
Richmond bearing date the twenty fourth day of July One Thousand  
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appear the Land Lying and being in the County of Amherst  
and on both sides of Pedler River and now in the possession  
of the said John Camden to have and to hold the aforesaid  
Tract or parcel of Land together with all and singular the  
appurtenances thereto belonging to the said John Camden  
his heirs and Assigns for ever and the said Alexander Duggins  
for himself and his heirs doth covenant and agree with to  
Said John Camden and his heirs that the said Alexander  
Duggins and his heirs the aforesaid Tract or parcel of  
Land and premises thereto Belonging to the said John  
Camden and to his heirs and Assigns Will Warrant  
forever Defend by these presents In Witness whereof the said  
Alexander Diggins hath hereunto set his hand &affixed his  
seal the date and year above written  
Alexander (his mark) Duggins (seal)  
Signed Sealed & Delivered  
in presence of  
J W Campbell Burcher Whitehead  
Wm Camden*

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& William Camden Witness thereto and ordered to be recorded  
Teste W L Crawford Clk







# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 5, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from July 29 2023*

- 1051 Paul Marion Porter We
- 1052 Norvin Lee Griffith Be
- 1053 Henry Grady Stegall We
- 1054 Donald Seewell Arick Sa
- 1055 Harvey Andy Rokey Co
- 1056 Carl George Hess Onei
- 1057 Adolph Henry Boeckman Co
- 1058 Benedict Ferd. Steinlage Co
- 1059 Kermit Lee Davies Sa
- 1060 Lewis Edward Bryan Ce
- 1061 Jerry Olin Bauman Ce
- 1062 Floyd Raymond Eby Sa
- 1063 Donald Lewis Moler Ce
- 1064 Wilbur Henry Keim Sa
- 1065 Paul Jos. Stallbaumer Se
- 1066 Barrett Alf. Hamilton Co
- 1067 George Peter Lierz, Jr Se
- 1068 Raymond F Boeckman Go
- 1069 John Felix Wilhelm Onei
- 1070 Clark Merritt Reece We
- 1071 Bernard A. Stegeman Ona
- 1072 Elmer Edward Krebs Sa
- 1073 Leland Lyle Steele Co
- 1074 Fred Edward Amos Ba
- 1075 Robert C. Schneider Sa
- 1076 Lyle Eugene bennett Sa

1077 Waldo Allen Miller Sa  
1078 Hiram Henry Hilbert Co  
1079 Francis Nelson Jones We  
1080 Rolland Frank Clarkson Go  
1081 Earl Oscar Keeney Ona  
1082 Vincent Peter Koch Ba  
1083 Raymond Bernard Skoch Ba  
1084 Harry Andy Matthewson Sa  
1085 John Joseph Niehues Go  
1086 Richard Mark Sourk Go  
1087 Rex Gordon Snyder Sa  
1088 Peter John Karnowski Se  
1089 Joseph Mary Holthaus co  
1090 John Harold Gruetze Go  
1091 Roy Alvin DeGroff Ce  
1092 William Arthur Hoffman Ce  
1093 Albert Niehues Go  
1094 Henry Bernard Niehues Go  
1095 Marvin W. Broadbent Co  
1096 Cyril Barney Rilinger Ba  
1097 Wilbur Earl Hartter Sa  
1098 Lester L Baumgartner Be  
1099 Harold Ambrose Davis Ban  
1100 Durward Dan Clements Se

*to be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 6, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

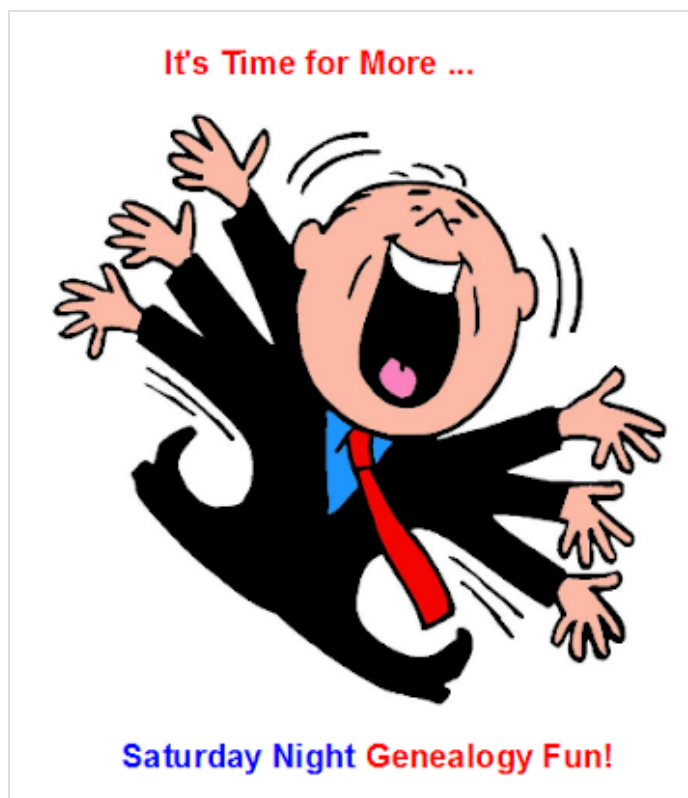
**It's Saturday Night again –  
time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you  
decide to accept it (you ARE reading this,  
so I assume that you really want to play  
along – cue the Mission Impossible  
music!):**

**1) Ellen Thompson-Jennings wrote Who  
Has Helped You The Most With Your  
Family History? on her Hound on the Hunt blog this week. That is a great  
prompt for Saturday Night Genealogy Fun. Thank you, Ellen!**

Who has helped me (the most) with my genealogy?

- My grandmother, Winnie Currey Crawford gets credit for starting me on this over 40 year journey.
- My mother-in-law gets credit for teaching me about pedigree charts and family group sheets
- My grandmothers, Winnie Crawford and Pauline Mentzer for collecting and passing on family information, documents and pictures



- American Genealogical Lending Library (AGLL) for providing access to microfilm of records that were mailed to my home. (I live 75 miles from a family history center or library with a genealogy collection.)
- My great aunts, Gladys Crawford and Pearl Currey, for their work researching my Crawford and Currey ancestors
- My mother's cousin, Max Briles, for compiling a Briles genealogy
- The Topeka Genealogical Society and the Northwest Missouri Genealogical Society for their libraries and resources
- Ruth Keys Clark for sponsoring research trips to Salt Lake City and encouraging me to grow my skills as a genealogist.
- RootsWeb and GenWeb communities — for the multitude of volunteer hours sharing genealogy information and techniques
- SASE (self addressed stamped envelopes) and e-mail for helping me request records and connect with other researchers
- Thomas MacEntee (Genealogy Bargains, Do-Over), Dear Myrtle and Mondays with Myrt for helping me update my skills after retirement
- Richard Lackey and Elizabeth Shown Mills (Evidence Explained) for helping me learn to document my research
- RootsMagic for providing an easy process to convert my Master Genealogist data to RootsMagic

But the MOST help with my genealogy research has come from the actions of the 1875 Kansas Editors' and Publishers. Their founding of the Kansas State Historical Society and insistence that the Kansas newspapers be preserved has made this vast collection of newspapers available for me to research today.

- Kansas State Historical Society (Wikipedia)
- Kansas Newspapers (FamilySearch Wiki)
- Kansas Newspaper Database
- Kansas Historical Open Content (Newspapers.com)
- Free Historical Newspaper Links – Kansas (Ancestor Hunt List)

Since all of my second great-grandparents lived in Kansas with all but one dying in Kansas, these newspapers have provided a wealth of information about my family.

Even though this collection of newspapers has helped me the most, I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the help my husband has provided over the years. Not only has he allowed me to spend money on my genealogy research but he has travelled with me on research trips. During a trip to Salt Lake City and the Tetons, my husband started researching his own tree. Now in retirement, we both are enjoying the challenges of researching our respective trees.

# Ostrander Heirs

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 7, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER

Have you ever come across a ‘conflict’ in the records that makes you question whether the records are about the same person? That’s where I am with my Edward Ostrander research.

I recently blogged about the Pickaway county, Ohio will I had in my files for Edward Ostrander. This will mentions a wife, Margery, and land in Waverly, Ohio. According to the FamilySearch tree, Edward Ostrander had a second wife named Margery. Various county histories place him in the Waverly area. Thus, it has been assumed that this will is for Dr. Edward Ostrander of Ross county, Ohio. However, this will does not mention any of his children.

Thanks to the ‘handy-dandy’ new [Experimental Search](#), I found two deeds that raise some questions. Both deeds are for the sale of land by ‘Edward Ostrander’s heirs’ and is by some of his children. Thus, some questions!

- Are there two different Edward Ostranders with one living in Pickaway county and one living in Pike/Ross county?
- Are there two different wills? One willing the lot in Waverly to a second wife and another transferring different land to children?
- Are there more deeds for others identified as children of Dr. Edward Ostrander.

No matter what the answers are, I likely would have not found these records this quickly. Thank you FamilySearch!



*Pike County Ohio*

*Deeds V. 6-7 1838-1843*

*Film 292733 DGS 8193136*

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*Edward Ostranders heirs*

*To Deed*

*Samuel T Harttin*

*Be it remembered that John C*

*Stufflebeam and Harriet his wife of the County of Warren and State of Indiana*

*Zebulon Foster and Caroline his wife of Warren County Indianna that in consideration of the sum of Fifty dollars paid John E Stufflebeam and Harriet*

*his wife Fifty dollars paid Zebulon Foster and Caroline his wife the Receipt hereof is hereby acknowledged the said John E Stufflebeam and Harriet his*

*wife Zebulon Foster and Caroline his wife do and each of them does and for their*

*and each of their heirs does revise release relinquish and forever quit claim*

*unto Samuel T Hartlin his heirs and assigns all the right title interest and claim which they or either of them have or could hold either of a legal or equitable nature of in and to the following described tracts or parcels of land lying*

*and being in the County of Pike and State of Ohio our interest in said lands being derived through Edward Ostrander deceased as has heirs viz the first*

*tract containing eighty two acres and three Rods and thirty four and described*

*as follows being part of Survey No 2463 and 2900 entered in the name of Nathail*



*Massie lying on Wilson's Run beginning at a White oak Southwesterly corner to Samuel*

*Corwin's land of this same survey thence with his line N 9 degrees 45 minutes 40 poles to a*

*White oak thence S 67 degrees W 368 poles to a black oak thence S 23 degrees E 34 poles to a*

*Jack oak thence N 68degrees E 358 poles to the beginning saving reserving and excepting*

*out of the above described tract of land nineteen acres one rood and sixteen poles*

*and 20/100 thereof being the east and of the above described tract which was heretofore*

*sold by Jacob Shepherd and Isabella his wife to John Hatfield and conveyed*

*to him by Deed bearing date August the 7th 1828 and recorded in the Records office*

*of Pike County Ohio in Book C pages 167 & 168 leaving a balance of sixty three*

*acres two roods eighteen poles and 50/100 also one other tract containing thirteen*

*acres and thirty poles and is known as being part of survey No 2463 and 2900 and*

*described as follows to wit Beginning at a hickory and gum thence North 67 degrees East 98 poles to a stone thence North 37 degrees W 22 poles to a stone thence S 67 degrees W*

*98 poles to a Stone thence South 37 degrees East 22 poles to the place of beginning upon*

*which the said purchase the said Samuel G Hartlin has this day paid to the said John E Stufflebeam and Zebulon Foster the sum of One hundred Dollars the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged & witness our hands this twelfth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight*

*hundred and thirty nine*

*John E Stufflebeam*

*Harriet Stufflebeam  
Zebulon Foster  
Caroline Foster  
Signed sealed and delivered  
in presence of*

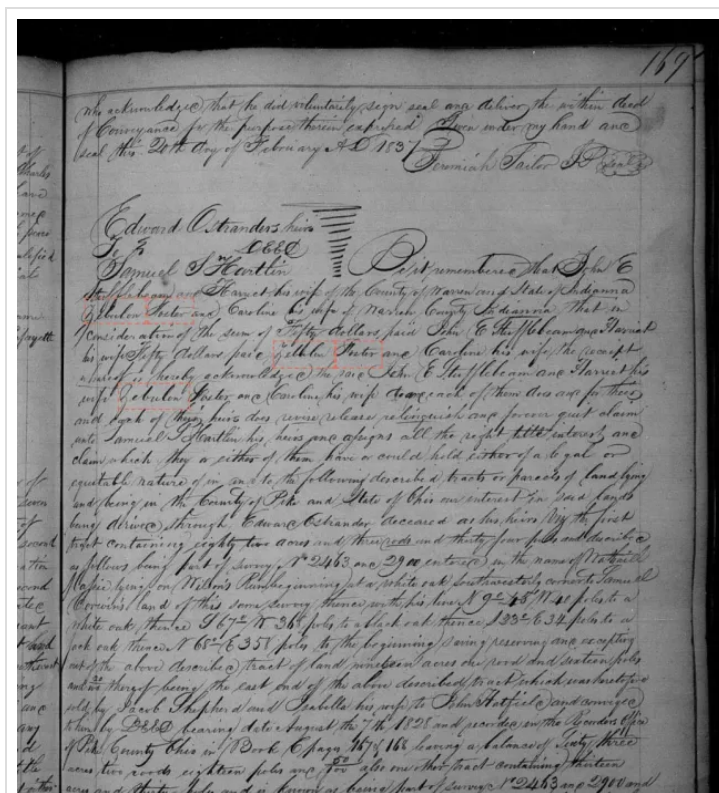
*Elizer Piana  
Jane Purviani*

*Rec & Recorded  
Augt 17th 1839*

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*State of Indiana  
Warren County ss  
Personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the  
Peace John B Stufflebeam and Harriet his wife and Zebulon Foster and  
Caroline his wife the above named grantors and acknowledged the  
signing  
and Sealing and delivering of the above indenture to be their voluntary  
act and  
deed for the uses and purposes therein specified and the said Harriet &  
Caroline  
being examined by me separate and apart from their said husbands and  
the  
contents of the same being made known to them acknowledged the  
signing  
sealing and delivering of the above deed to be their voluntary act and  
deed for the uses and purposes therein specifed without the fear coercion  
or persuation of their said husbands In witness whereof I have hereunto  
set my hand and seal this 12th day of March 1839  
Eluzer Purviani J P*

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Pike County Ohio  
Deed 1799-1877

V. 6-7 1838-1843  
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Edward Ostrander heirs

No 90

DEED

Samuel S Hartlin This Indenture made this fifth day of

*March eighteen hundred and thirty nine between Anthony of Ostrander and  
Lucinda his wife and George Ostrander of the County of Vigo in the State  
of  
Indiana of the first part and Samuel S Hartlin of the County of Pike in  
the State of Ohio of the second part Witnesseth that the said party of the  
first part  
for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred dollars to them in  
hand paid  
by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby  
acknowledged have  
and by these presents do remise release and forever quit claim to the said  
party  
of the second part and his heirs and assigns all the right title interest claim  
and estate of the said party of the first part of in and to the following  
described  
tracts or parcels of land except as hereinafter excepted situate lying and  
being  
in the County of Pike and State of Ohio the first tract containing Eighty  
two acres  
three rods and thirty four poses and described as follows to wit being part  
of survey  
No 2463 and 2900 entered in the name of Nathaniell Cassie lying on  
Wilson's Run  
beginning at a White oak Southwesterly corner of Samuel Corwins land of  
this  
same survey thence with his line North nine degrees and forty five  
minutes west  
forty poles to a white Oak thence South sixty seven degrees West three  
hundred and sixty eight poles to a black oak thence South twenty three  
degrees East thirty four July to a Jack oak thence North sixty eight  
degrees  
East three hundred and fifty eight poles to the beginning having reserving  
and excepting out of said tract of land Nineteen acres one Rood and*

*Sixteen poles and twenty hundredths of a pole thereof off the east end of the above described tract which was heretofore sold by Jacob Shepherd and Isabella his wife to John Hatfield and conveyed to him by deed bearing date the seventh day of August eighteen hundred and twenty eight recorded in the Records office of Pike County Ohio in Book C pages one hundred and sixty seven and one hundred and sixty eight leaving a balance now sold to the said Samuel S Hartlin N Sixty three acres two rods and eighteen and fifty hundredths poles the other tract containing*

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*Thirteen acres and thirty poles and is known as being part of Survey No 2463 and 2900*

*and described as follows to wit beginning at a hickory and Gum thence North*

*seven degrees East ninety eight poles to a stake thence North thirty seven degrees*

*West twenty two poles to a Stone thence South sixty seven degrees west ninety eight*

*pole s to a stone; thence south thirty seven degrees East twenty two poles to the beginning*

*whether with all the rights privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging*

*the interest in said tracts of land hereby conveyed being the estate and Interest therein*

*which descended to the said Anthony H Ostrander and George Ostrander as heirs*

*at law of Edward Ostrander late of Pickaway County This deceased To have*

*and to hold the same to the said party of the second part and his heirs and assigns*

*forever In witness whereof the said party of the first part have hereunto set their*

*hands and seals the day and year first above written*

*Signed sealed and delivered*

*Anthony Ostrander*

*Lucinda Ostrander*

*George Ostrander*

*in presence*

*E W Huntington recd recorded*

*Orringe A Smith*

*recd recorded*

*Augt 17th 1839*

*State of Indiana ss I the undersigned Render Judge of the seventh  
Judicial Circuit of said State including the County of Vigo do hereby  
certify*

*that on the 23 day of March 1839 Personally appeared before me the  
named Anthony M Ostrander Lucinda Ostrander George Ostrander  
grantors in the foregoing D El and acknowledged the signing and sealing  
of the same as their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes  
therein*

*mentioned as she the said Lucinda having been by me first examine sep  
arate and apart from her said husband and having acknowledged the  
signing and sealing of the same of her voluntary act without any coercion  
from*

*her said husband In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand the 23rd of March 1839*

*E W Huntington*

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 State of Indiana  
 Warren County I personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace John C. Stufflebeam and Harriet his wife and Gabriel Foster and Caroline his wife who above named grantors could acknowledge the signing and sealing and delivering of the above indenture to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein specified And the said Gabriel Foster and Caroline being examined by me separate and apart from their said husbands and the contents of the same being made known to them acknowledged the signing sealing and delivering of the above deed to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein specified without the procurement or persuasion of their said husbands In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of March 1839.

Charles Furrman J.P. Seal

Edward Strander Sheriff  
 Samuel S. Hartlin Esq. This Indenture made this fifth day of March eighteen hundred and thirty nine between Anthony M. Chaney and Lucinda his wife and George Strander of the County of Wayne (the State of Indiana) of the first part and Samuel S. Hartlin of the County of Wayne in the State of Ohio of the second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged here



# Purple Hearts

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 8, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Do you ever take a ‘detour’ with research? A brief mention on the radio this morning caused me to put aside my genealogy research to do some county history research today. The radio mentioned that August 7th is Purple Hearts day.



As a volunteer at the local historical society, I was curious about whether there was a list of recipients for Nemaha County. Much to my surprise there is NOT a master list of Purple Hearts recipients let alone one for Nemaha County. (FAQ – National Purple Heart Hall of Honor)

Thus, I started searching the Seneca newspapers for ‘purple heart’. The first article I found was in the 6 June 1932 issue of the Courier Tribune which discussed the revival of the Purple Heart award.





*Courier Tribune*

*June 6, 1932*

*Men Wounded in Battle to Receive a Decoration*

*A number of Seneca ex-service men are eligible to a new military decoration, or, rather an old decoration that is being revived. It is known as the Order of the Purple Heart and is awarded by the war department to men who were wounded in action. The Purple Heart medal has a bronze edge with raised, purple background. The head is of bronze while the shield is composed of red bars and stars. The reverse side is all bronze carrying the engraved name of the recipient. An oak leaf cluster is attached to the medal for each wound received. During the revolutionary war George Washington designed and issued the Purple Heart as his tribute to gallantry. Records show but three received the honor during the Revolution. Then the decoration was forgotten and not revived until President Hoover recommended its use in honor of the two-hundredth anniversary of Washington's birth. The War Department is distributing the medals but so far as known none has been received in this community. Charles R. Clinkenbeard, Lincoln, formerly of Wetmore received the award with three clusters. He was gassed and twice wounded.*

Further searching in the Seneca newspapers thru 1946 identified the following people as recipients:



*Clyde Aeschliman, Don Andrick, Ira Austin, Ira Austin, Bernard Becker, Lawrence Bergman, Norbert Bergman, Norbert Bergman, Scot Berridge, Vernon Boltz, Ira Bonjour, Oliver Bowland, Don Bowlby, Dale Brooks, Celestine Broxterman, Donald Butz, Joe Christman, Eugene Clowe, Floyd Clowe, Orville Clowe, Orville G Clowe, Daniel Cordill, Donale Craig,*

*Harry Dandliker, Clarence Dulake, Charles D Eckert, D. L. Evans, Roy Fund, Roy Fund, Avis Gakle, Paul Gillenwalter, Jim Gillespie, Jom Gillispie, Byron Gilmore, Albert Gregg, Vaughn Grimm, William Guiulford, Arthur Hanni, Lawrence Hartman, Lawrence Hartman, Lawrence Hartman, Virgil Haug, Virgil Haug, Reo Hiskey, Jean Holmberg, Lawrence Honeyman, Leonard Huerter, Vernon Keegan, Dale Kelly, Donald Knauer, Cyril Koch, Cyril Koch, Daniel Kohake, Donald Krotzinger, Jacob Jr Krotzinger, Orville (Bud) Largent, Creston Lippincott, Creston Lippincott, Allen Luginibill, Francis McGreevy, Moore, Ralph Moyer, Gorman Neel, Kenneth Nicholson, Bryan Nightingale, Byron Nightingale, Theodore Rhodes, Charles D Roberts, Albert Rogers, Raymond B. Rokey, Forest Ruse, Raymond B. Ruse, C. W. Ryan, Frank Schafer, Gerald Scheier, Gerald Scheier, Benedict Schmidt, Bob Schoff, Dale Shepherd, John Slocum, John Slocum, Wilfred Smith, Elmer Stalcup, Elgin Strahm, Moses Tate, Moses Tate, Robert F Ulrich, Vincent Vondemkampe, Lawrence Wessel, Lawrence Wessel, Hiram William, Edwin Winkler, Roy Winterscheidt, H. A. Wiseman, Charles Woltkamp, Raymond B. Woltkamp, Tony Woltkamp,*

The Facebook community was also asked and several additional names were found:



*FACEBOOK Comments adding the following: James Edward Stallbaumer, Lawrence M. Eisenbarth, Roger Kramer, James J. Huerter, Carl Swart, Joe Enneking, Rettle, Charles Krogman*

I also learned that Google can be used to search Find A Grave. Unfortunately, I think the number of results are limited. But it is another source. (Note: Nemaha County, Nebraska graves also come up in this search.)

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*site:findagrave.com purple nemaha kansas*

My neighbor had also told us of a recipient. His Fold3 memorial indicates Bernard Schultejans received a Purple Heart.

More digging is required to update this list. This will require researching the Seneca papers from 1947 to present and the Sabetha newspapers from 1930 to present.



<https://heartlandgenealogy.org/?format=pdf&post-type=post&order-date=asc&order-menu=asc&statuses%5B%5D=publish&dates%5Bafter%5D=...> 199/510

**Father:**  
 Dr. Edward Ostrander-5427  
 b: 22 November 1769, Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States  
 m: 1796, New York, New York, United States  
 d: 24 May 1835, Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States

**Mother:**  
 Margaret Forbes-5428  
 b: 30 May 1772, Rensselaer, Rensselaer, New York, United States  
 d: 8 August 1824, Green Township, Ohio

**Father's Parents:**  
 Hermanus Ostrander-13081  
 1729-1802  
 Barbara Terwilliger-13082  
 -1800

**Mother's Parents:**  
 James Forbes-16321  
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**Problem List**  
 A list of potential data problems

Name	Problem
Anthony Miller Ostrander-11748	Residence after Death

**Family Members:**

- Graham Ostrander-11747  
1797-
- Sarah Ostrander-5435  
1798-1881
- Eliza Ann Ostrander-16300  
1800-
- Maria M Ostrander-16299  
1802-1875
- Anthony Miller Ostrander-11748**  
1803-1869
- Jemima Ostrander-16298  
1805-1880
- Edward Ostrander-16290

Thus, I needed to verify Anthony Ostrander's death date. The primary source I have for his death date is his Find a Grave record. Anthony Ostrander's tombstone clearly indicates that he died in 1869.

**Anthony Miller Ostrander**

**BIRTH** 9 Nov 1803  
Rensselaer County, New York, USA

**DEATH** 20 Mar 1869 (aged 65)  
Vigo County, Indiana, USA

**BURIAL** [Otter Creek Union Cemetery](#)  
North Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana, USA [Add to Map](#)

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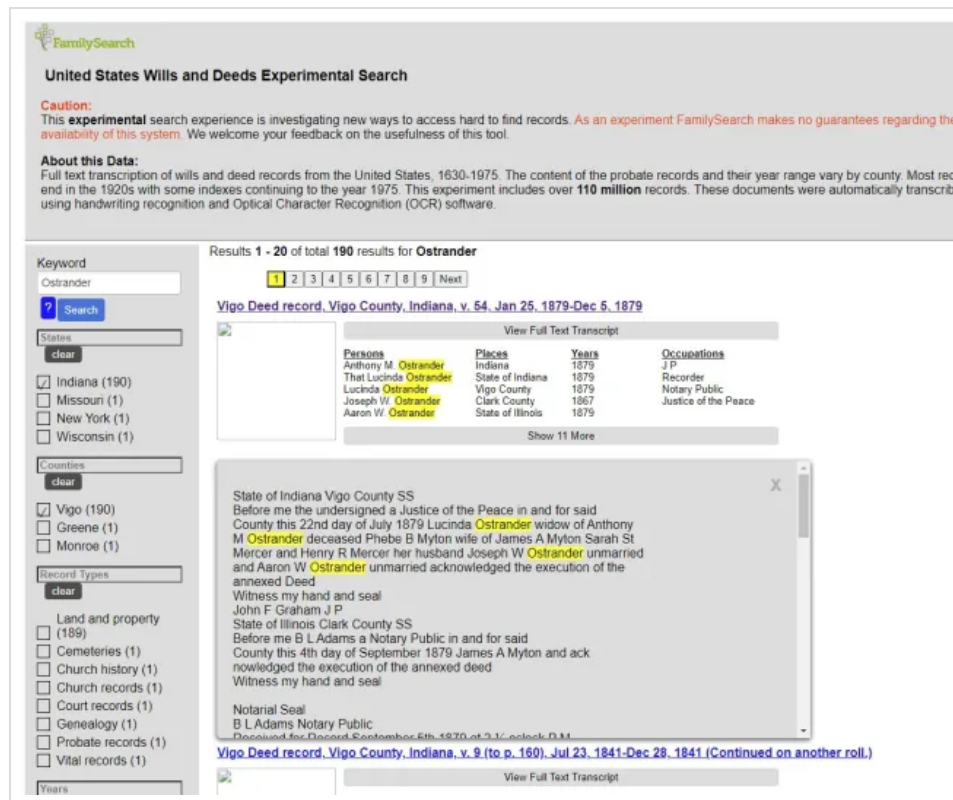
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Photo added by Vada L. Long

So, now I need to find other sources to support the 1869 death date – or – to disprove it. My first thought was to find an obituary. So far, that search has been unsuccessful.

My next step was to try and find a will or probate record to try and pinpoint a death date. Thus, I turned to the new United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search tool on FamilySearch. While I didn't find a will or court record, I did find a quit claim deed that

Since the transcript is of the two pages that the image links to, it is probable that some of the information on these two pages does not relate to Anthony Ostrander and/or his family. Based on the wording at the top of the transcript, I think that the previous page will also need consulted. However, this transcript suggests that Lucinda's husband, Anthony, likely died in 1879.



“

*Vigo County, Indiana*

*State of Indiana Vigo County SS*

County this 22nd day of July 1879 Lucinda Ostrander widow of Anthony  
M Ostrander deceased Phebe B Myton wife of James A Myton Sarah St

*Mercer and Henry R Mercer her husband Joseph W Ostrander unmarried and Aaron W Ostrander unmarried acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed*

*Witness my hand and seal*

*John F Graham J P*

*State of Illinois Clark County SS*

*Before me B L Adams a Notary Public in and for said*

*County this 4th day of September 1879 James A Myton and acknowledged the execution of the annexed deed*

*Witness my hand and seal*

*Notarial Seal*

*B L Adams Notary Public*

*Received for Record September 5th 1879 at 2 ¼ oclock P M*

*Chauncey R Pritchard Recorder*

*This Indenture Witnesseth That Lucinda Ostrander widow of Anthony M Ostrander deceased formerly Lucinda Lyons of Vigo County in the State of Indiana Release and Quit Claim to Phebe B Myton of Vigo County in the State of Indiana for the sum of One Dollar and natural Love and affection the following Real Estate in Vigo County in the State of Indiana to wit Fifty six 56 acres off of the East side of the North West quarter of Section number Twenty five 25 in Township number Thirteen 13 North of Range number Nine 9 West*

*In Witness Whereof The said Lucinda Ostrander has hereunto set her hand and seal this Twenty second day of July A D 1879*

*Lucinda Ostrander*

*State of Indiana Vigo County SS*

*Before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and*

*for said County this 22d day of July 1879 Lucinda Ostrander*

*widow of Anthony M Ostrander deceased acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed*

*Witness my hand and seal*

*John F Graham J P*

*Received for Record September 5th 1879 at 2 ¼ o clock P M*



*Chauncey R Pritchard Recorder*

*This Indenture Witnesseth That Lucinda Ostrander widow of Anthony M Ostrander decd of Vigo County in the State of Indiana Release and Quit Claims to Joseph W Ostrander of Vigo County in the State of Indiana for the sum of One Dollar and natural love and affection the following Real Estate in Vigo County in the State of Indiana to wit The West ½ of the South East quarter of section Twenty five 25 in Township Thirteen 13 North in Range Nine 9 West containing Eighty 80 Acres more or less Reserving however to the Grantor herein a life estate in the above described land*

*In Witness Whereof The said Lucinda Ostrander widow has hereunto set her hand and seal this Twenty second day of July A D 1879*  
*Lucinda Ostrander*

*State of Indiana Vigo County SS*

*Before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County this 22d day of July 1879 Lucinda Ostrander widow of Anthony M Ostrander decd acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed*

*Witness my hand and seal*

*Received for Record September 5th Chauncey R Pritchard Recorder*

*This Indenture Witnesseth That Clarissa Green wife of John S Green of Vigo County in the State of Indiana Quit Claim to Samuel Holms of Vicio County in the State of Indiana for the sum of Three Hundred sixty six 66 100 Dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the following Real Estate in Vigo County in the State of Indiana to wit The East half of the North West Quarter of Section No 9 Nine Town Eleven No 11 Range 2 West*  
*In Witness Whereof The said Clarissa Green has hereunto set her hand and seal this 17 day of September 1867*

*Clarissa Green*

*The State of Indiana Vigo County Set*

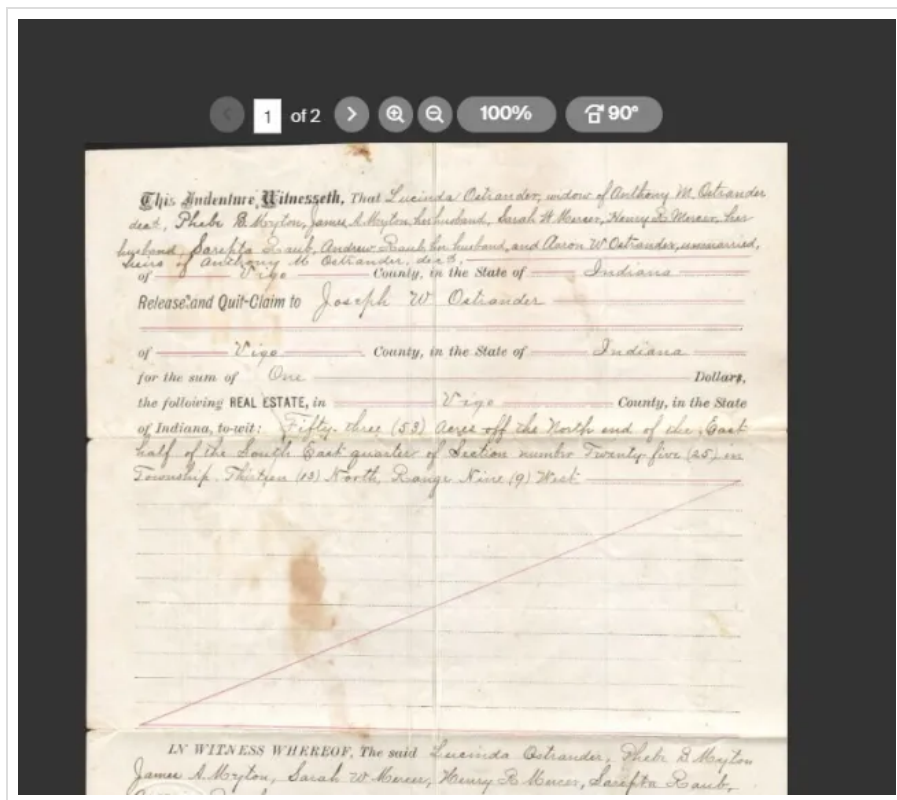
*Before me Linus Moyer a Justice of the Peace in and for said County this 17 day of September 1867 came Clarissa Green and acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed*

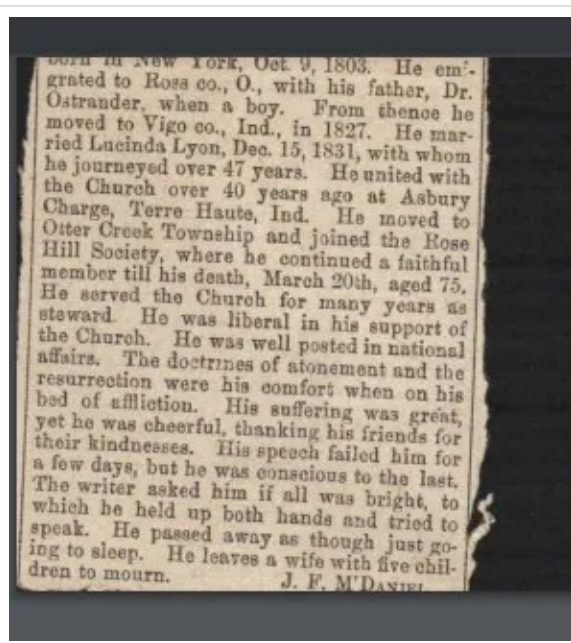
*Witness my hand and seal*

*Linus Moyer J P*

Is this deed enough to convince everyone that Anthony M. Ostrander did not die in 1869 as indicated on his tombstone? Probably not. However, it does provide support for an 1879 death date.

Further 'proof' is found on Ancestry where a user shared a copy of an 1879 deed and an image of an obituary clipping. While the obituary clipping does not contain a date, it does indicate that Anthony M. Ostrander was 75 years old at his death. This further supports an 1879 death date.





# More Ostrander Heirs

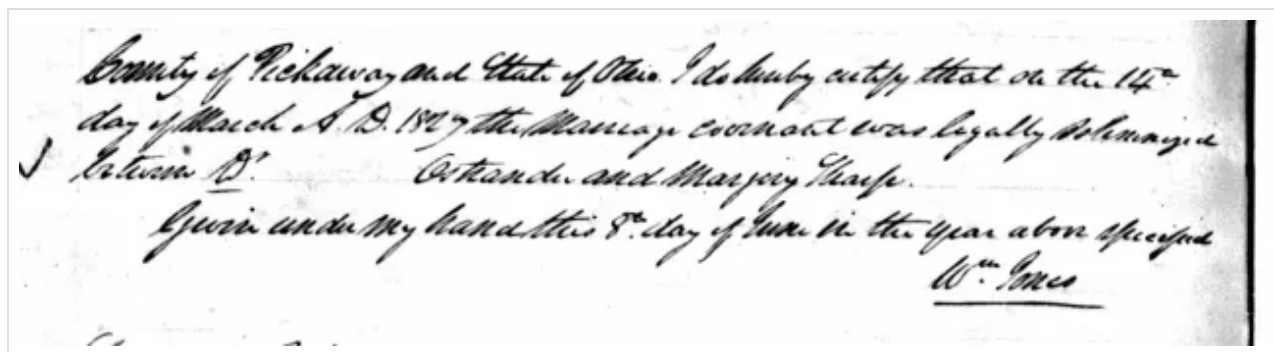
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 10, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: OHIO, OSTRANDER

Have you ever been confused by the records? My Ostrander research is confusing! I have a will for Edward Ostrander that only names Margery as his wife and grants her a lot in Waverly, Ohio.

Is this my Edward Ostrander? Records place my Edward Ostrander in Ross and Pike Counties. The will is from Pickaway county. There is a marriage record in Pickaway County between a 'Dr (or D.) Ostrander' and Margery Sharp in 1827.



Then with the help of the United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search, I found deeds identifying Caroline Foster, Harriet Stufflebeam, George Ostrander and Anthony M. Ostrander as heirs of Edward Ostrander. These quit claim deeds are for the sale of land in Pike County, Ohio. I did not find similar transactions where the rest of the children sold off the land.

These deeds raised more questions.

- How can the children be identified as Edward Ostrander heirs when the will only names a wife?
- Why aren't all of the children mentioned in deeds selling land?

- Are there TWO Edward Ostranders whose families have been merged in the trees?

I recently found another deed that would indicate that there is only ONE Edward Ostrander in these records. This deed was a Sheriff's sale due to a court case over the partition of land. Several of the daughters of Edward Ostrander are mentioned in this deed that were not mentioned in the other deeds.



*Pike County, Ohio  
Deeds, 1799-1877*

*Deeds, v. 6-7 1838-1843  
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*Sheriff of PIke COunty*

*to*

*Thoms Day*

*To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting*

*Whereas on the Thirty first day of August A D 1839*

*Thomas Day Junr of the County of Pike and State of Ohio filed  
his certain peition in the court of common please within and for  
the County of Pike against Allen C Davis and Eliza Da-  
vis his Wife Ferry Wolf and Sarah W M his wife Jacob*

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*Roub and Maria Roub his wife Jemima Ball and  
Ball her Husband and Margaret Ostrander Widow of  
Edward Ostrander deceased demanding Partition of Certain  
Real Estate hereinafter described and whereas such procee  
dings where had upon said Petition that the Commissioners  
appointed by said Court to make partition of said Estate made report  
that Partition of the same could not be made without manifest*

*injury and that the value thereof was Six hundred and Fifty five Dollars Whereon at the October Term of said Court A D 1839 the said Report of said Commissioners was approved and confirmed by said Court and the said Thomas Day Junr electing to take said Estate at the value of said Commissioners and having paid to the said Allen C Davis and Eliza his Wife Perry Wolf and Sarah his wife Jacob Roub and Maria his Wife Ball and Jemima his Wife their respective proportions of the approved value thereof the said Court did adjudge said Estate to the said Thomas Day Junr and did order the said Sheriff to execute a DEED in Fee simple for the same to the said Thomas Day Junr all which will more fully appear reference being had to the Records of said Court Now Therefore I James Moore the Sheriff of the aforesaid in consideration of the Premises and by Virtue of the Powers in me Vested by Law do by these Presents grant bargain alien and convey unto the said Thomas Day Junr and unto his Heirs and assigns forever the said Real Estate so adjudged as aforesaid to the said Thomas Day Junr and which is bounded and described as follows to wit lying in the County of Pike aforesaid and being part of Survey Number 2463 and Two thousand Nine hundred (2900) entered in the Name of Nathaniel Massie lying on Wilsons Run Beginning at a White Oak South Westerly Corner of Samuel Corwin's land in this same Survey thence with his line N 9 degrees 45 W 40 poles to a White oak thence S 67 degrees W 368 poles to a black oak thence S degrees E 34 poles to a Jack Oak thence North 68 degrees East 358 poles to the Beginning except 19 acres 1 Rood and 16 29/100 poles thereof taken of the East end of said Tract which was heretofore sold by Jacob Shepherd and Isalla his Wife to John Hatfield and Conveyed to him by Deed bearing date the 7th Day of August 1828 and recorded in the Records office of said County in Book C Pages 167 and 168 leaving 63 Acres 2 Roods 18 1/2 poles also an*

*other Tract containing 1 acres and 30 poles known  
as being part of said Survey Number 2463 and 2900 and  
described as follows to wit Begining at a hickory and  
Gum thence North 67 degrees E 98 poles to stone thence No  
37 degrees W 22 poles to a stone thence S 67 degrees W 98 poles  
to a Stone thence S 37 degrees E 22 poles to the Beginning with*

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*all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise  
appertaining To Have And To Hold the said Premises to  
him the said Thomas Day Jun and to his Heirs and assigns  
forever In Testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and seal  
as Sheriff as aforesaid this 28th Day of December in the year of our  
Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Forty  
Executed and delivered*

*James Moore*

*Sheriff of Pike CCounty*

*in our presence*

*N R Clough*

*John Dunham*

*Recd Sept 24th A D 1841*

*The State of Ohio*

*Pike County ss*

*Be it remembered that on the 28th*

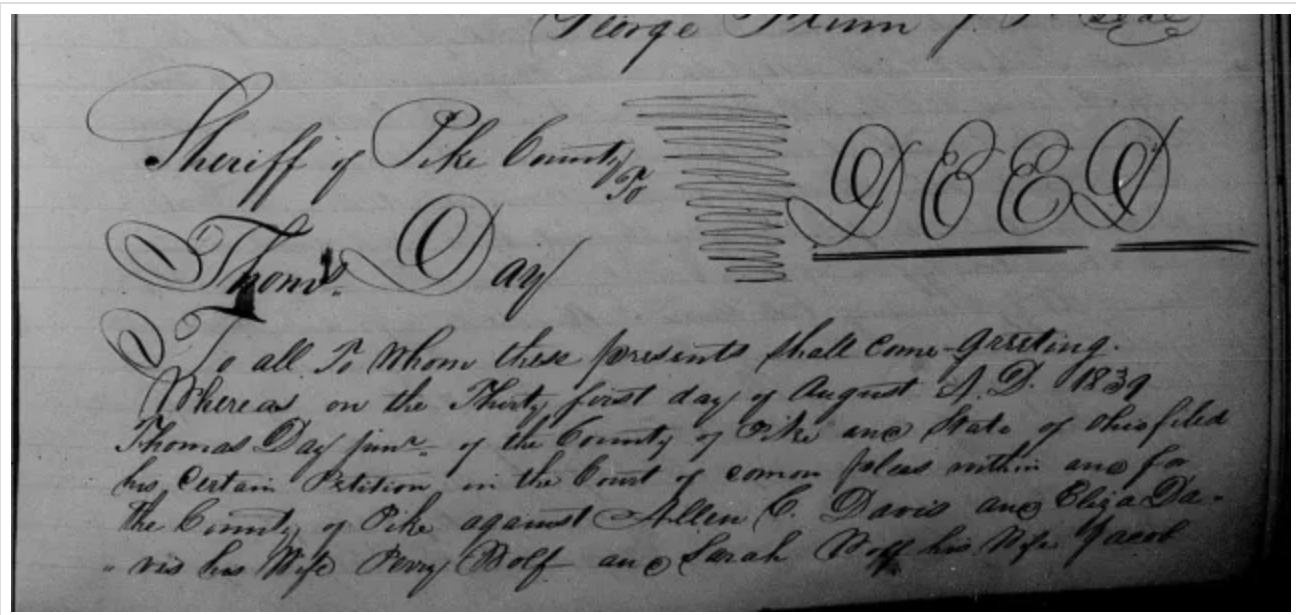
*Day of December in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight  
hundred and Forty before me one of the Justices of the Peace in  
and for the County aforesaid personally came James Moore  
and acknowledged the foregoing Instrument to be his free and  
Voluntary act and deed as Sheriff of said County of Pike*

*John Dunham Jus Peace*

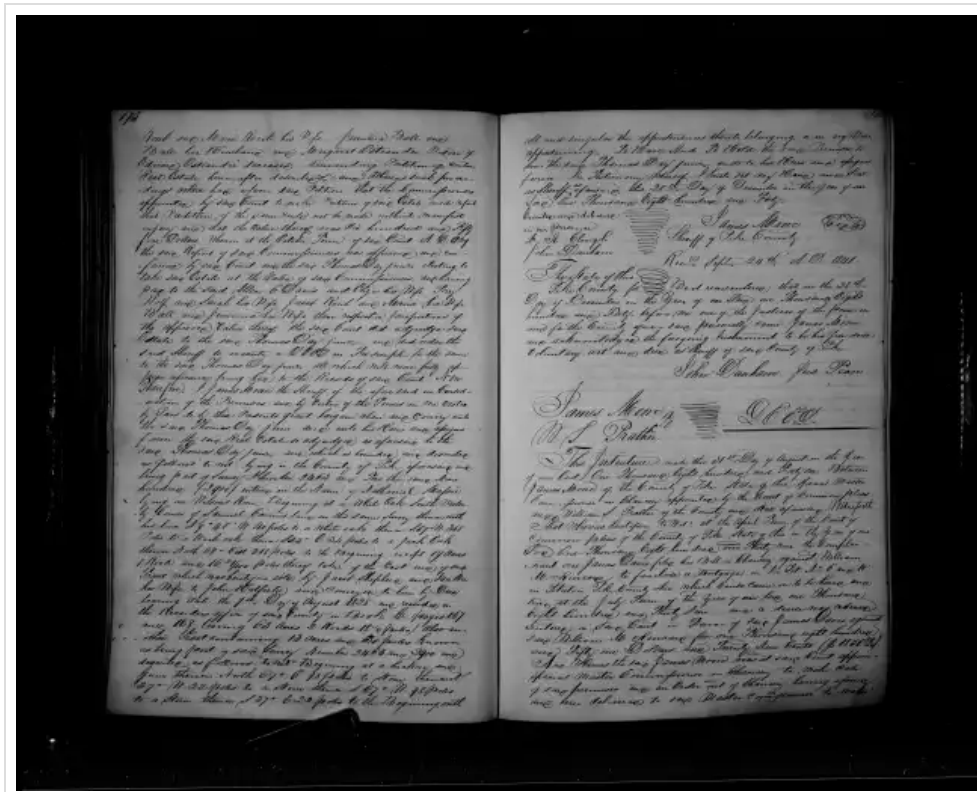
*And Whereas the said James Moore was at said Court Special Master  
Commissioner in Chancery to make sale*

of said premises and an L Some of Chancery having issued  
and been delivered to said Master Com

**OHIO, PIKE COUNTY. PIKE COUNTY OHIO DEEDS, 1799-1877. FILM #292733 DGS  
00819316. OSTRANDER HEIRS PARTITION, 31 AUG 1839; VOL. 6: PAGE 174-175;  
DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILYSEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED  
ONLINE 23 JULY 2023.**







I've yet to locate the court case mentioned in the deed. Nor, have I found another will but these records would imply that such might exist.

# Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 11, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: DODGE CITY, HAMMOND, ILLINOIS, KANSAS

## Richmond F. Hammond's Marriage Records

### 1867 – Married Sarah Ralston

”

*Knox County Illinois  
County Clerk  
Galesburg, IL 61401*

*Marriage License: 7081*

*The People of the state of Illinois*

*To any regular minister of the Gospel, authorized to Marry by the  
Church or Society to which he belongs; any Justice of the Supreme Court ;  
any*

*Judge of any Inferior Court ; any Justice of the Peace ; You are hereby  
licensed*

*and Permitted to Celebrate and Certify the Rights of Marriage between  
Mr. Richmond F. Hammond  
and*

*Miss Sarah E Ralston*

*and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.  
filed*

*Witness, James Egan, Clerk of the County*

*Court of Knox County, State of Illinois, and the*

*Seal of said County being hereto affixed at the City  
of Knoxville, this 31st day of  
December A.D., 1866  
James J Egan Clerk*

*State of Illinois  
Knox County*

*I hereby certify, that on thie first day of  
January A.D. 1867 I joined in the Holy State of Matrimony,  
Richmond F Hammond and Miss srah E Ralston  
according tot he usual customs and Laws of Illinoies  
Given under my hand and Seal this fourth day of January  
A.D. 1867  
Benj T Warell  
Minister of the Gospel*

*State of Illinois  
Count of Knox*

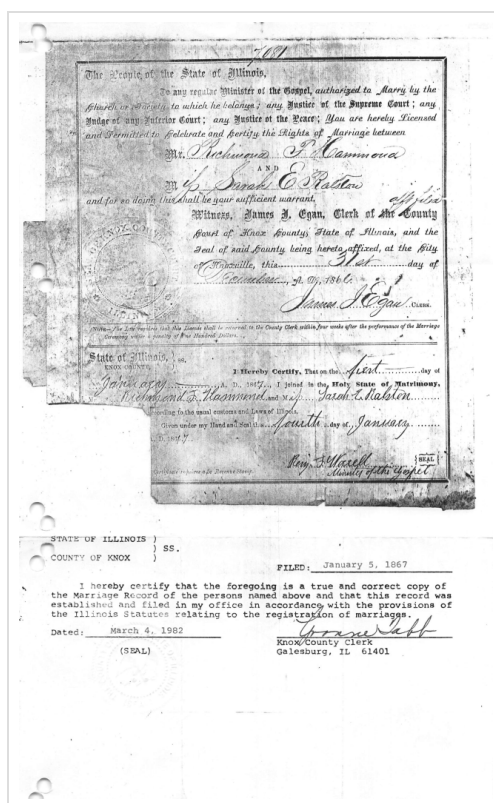
*Filed: January 5, 1867*

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of  
the Marriage Record of the persons named above and that this recod wsa  
established and filed in my office in accordance with the provisions of  
the Illinois Statutes relating to the registration of marriages.*

*Dated: March 4, 1982*

*Tabb*

*Knox County Clerk  
Galesburg, IL 61401  
(seal)*



## 1897 – Married Mary E Myers



*Ford County Kansas*

*Marriage Affidavit*

*State of Kansas, Ford County, ss:*

*In the Probate Court of said County and State.*

*R. F. Hammond who now here makes application for Marriage License, addressed to any person authorized by law to join in marriage R. F.*

*Hammond*

*of Dodge City, aged 56 years, and Mary E. Myers*

*of Dodge City, aged 38 years, being by me first duly sworn, doth say that they*

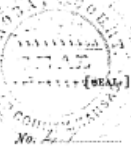
*have the unqualified consent of their parents to their marriage, and that neither of said parties have been divorced by the decree of any Court within six months las past.*

*And that they, the said R. F. Hammond and Mary E. Meyers are not related to each other in the degrees prohibited by law, to-wit: Parent and child, grand-parent and grand-child of any degree, brother and sister of either the one-half or the whole blood, uncle or niece, aunt or nephew, nor first cousins and that there exists no illegal impediment to said marriage.*

*R.F. Hammond*

*In Testimony Whereof, I the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court, in and for Ford County, and Ex-officio Clerk thereof, have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office, this 5th day of November A.D. 1897*

*W N. Harper*

Marriage Affidavit.	
State of Kansas, <u>Ford</u>	County, ss:
In the Probate Court of said County and State.	
<u>R. F. Hammond</u>	who now here makes application for MARRIAGE LICENSE,
addressed to any person authorized by law to join in Marriage <u>R. F. Hammond</u>	
of <u>Rocky City</u> aged <u>56</u> years, and <u>Mary E. Meyers</u>	
of <u>Rocky City</u> aged <u>35</u> years, being by me first duly sworn, both say that they	
have the unqualified consent of their parents to their marriage, and that neither of said parties have been divorced by the decree of any Court within six months last past.	
And that they, the said <u>R. F. Hammond</u> and <u>Mary E. Meyers</u>	
are not related to each other in the degrees prohibited by law, to-wit: Parent and child, grand-parent and grand-child of any degree, brother and sister of either the one-half or the whole blood, uncle or niece, aunt or nephew, nor first cousins and that there exists no legal impediment to said marriage.	
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court, in and for <u>Ford</u> County, and Ex-officio Clerk thereof, have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office, this <u>5th</u> day of <u>November</u> A. D. 189 <u>7</u>	
	
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*Ford County, Kansas*

*Marriage License*

*State of Kansas, Ford County, November 5th A.D. 1897*

*To any person authorized by law to perform the Marriage Ceremony,  
Greeting*

*You are hereby authorized to join in Marriage*

*R. F. Hammond of Dodge City, aged 56 years*

*and Mary E Myers of Dodge City, aged 38 years*

*and of this license you will make due return to my office within thirty days*

*W. N. Harper Probate Judge*

*State of Kansas, Ford County, ss:*

*I, Judge W. N. Harper do hereby certify, that n accordance with the  
authorization*

*of the within License, I did on the Seventh day of November A.D. 1897*

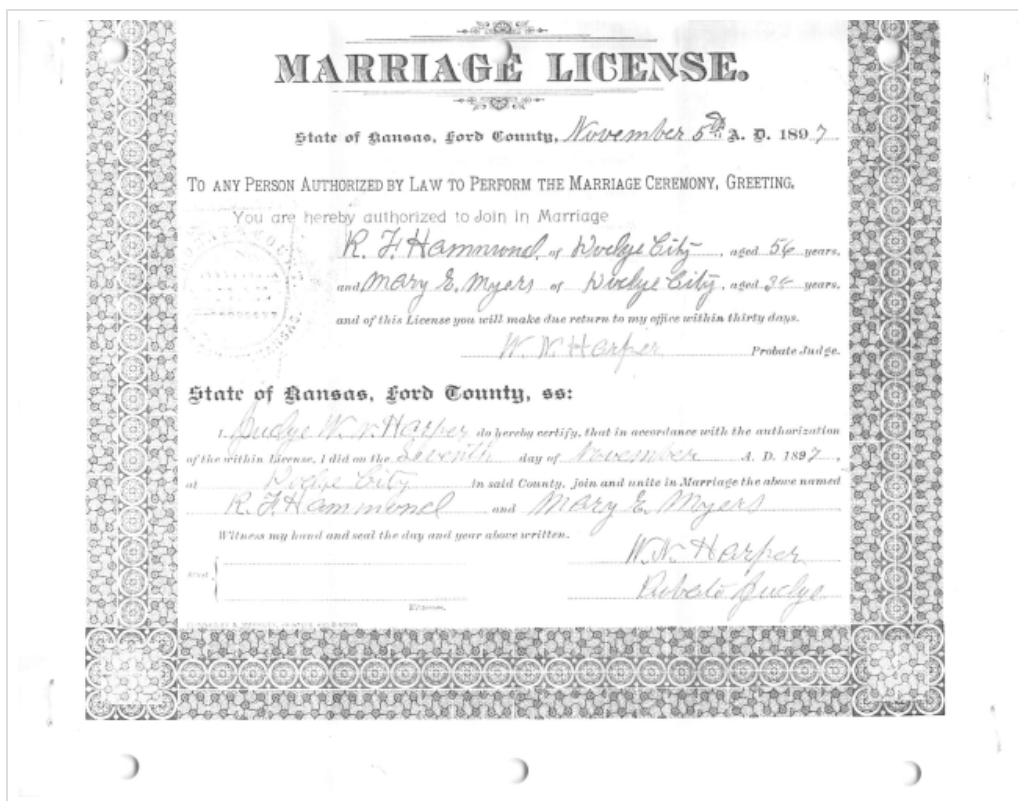
*at Dodge City in said County, join and unite in Marriage the above named*

*R. F. Hammond and Mary E. Myers.*

*Witness my hand and seal the day and year above written.*

*W. N. Harper*

*Probate Judge*



## 1906 – married Mrs. Mary Grim

”

*Edwards County Kansas*

*County Clerk*

*Kinsley, KS*

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*State of Kansas, Edwards County*

*Office of the Probate Judge of said county.*

*Be it remembered, that on the 20th day of October A.D. 1906, there was  
 issued from the office of said Probate Judge a marriage license, of which  
 the following is a true copy:*

*Marriage License*

*Edwards County, State of Kansas, Kinsley, October 19th A.D. 1906*

*To any person authorized by law to perform the marriage ceremony,*

*greeting:*

*You are hereby authorized to join in marriage R. F. Hammond  
of Dodge City, Kansas aged 65 years and Mrs. Mary Grim  
of Dodge City, Kansas aged 46 years and of this license you will make due  
return to my office  
within thirty days.*

*Seal F C. Blanchard Probate Judge*

*And which said Marriage license was afterwards to-wit: on the 29th day  
of October*

*A.D. 1906, returned to said Probate Judge, with the following Certificate  
endorsed thereon, to wit:*

*State of Kansas, Edwards County, SS.*

*I, the undersigned, a Probate Judge of Kinsley in said County, do hereby  
certify that in accordance with the authorization of the  
within license, I did on the 19th day of October A.D. 1906, at Kinsley  
in said County, join and unite in marriage the within named R. F.  
Hammond*

*and Mrs. Mary Grim*

*Witness my hand and seal he day and year above written.*

*F. C. Blanchard*

*Probate Judge*

*Attest: F. C. Blanchard, Probate Judge*



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STATE OF KANSAS, Edwards COUNTY.

OFFICE OF THE PROBATE JUDGE OF SAID COUNTY.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1906, there was issued from the office of said Probate Judge a MARRIAGE LICENSE, of which the following is a true copy:

**MARRIAGE LICENSE.**

Edwards County, State of Kansas, Kinsley, October 29<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1906.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PERFORM THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY, GREETING:

Your are hereby authorized to join in marriage R. F. Hammond  
of Dodge City, Kansas aged 65 years and Mrs. Mary Grim  
of Dodge City, Kansas aged 46 years and of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days.

SEAL. F. L. Blanchard Probate Judge.

And which said Marriage License was afterwards, to-wit: on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1906, returned to said Probate Judge, with the following Certificate endorsed thereon, to-wit:

STATE OF KANSAS, Edwards COUNTY, SS. Kinsley in said County

I, the undersigned, a Probate Judge of, do hereby certify that in accordance with the authorization of the within License, I did on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1906, at Kinsley in said County, join and unite in marriage the within named R. F. Hammond and Mrs. Mary Grim

WITNESS my hand and seal the day and year above written. F. L. Blanchard

Attest: F. L. Blanchard, Probate Judge. Probate Judge

# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 12, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*continued from August 5, 2023*

- 1101 Leonard Lee Roy Boyse Co
- 1102 Paul Christopher Ehlers Sa
- 1103 Vernon Art Wittmer Onei
- 1104 LeRoy August Ritchie Ce
- 1105 Henry F Tegtmeier, JR Be
- 1106 Philip Irven Edelman Sa
- 1107 Francis Julius Droge We
- 1108 Virgll Milton Ralston Sa
- 1109 Cale Lester Althouse Sa
- 1110 Ronald E. Spicklemier Ce
- 1111 Thomas Wm Mohringer Go
- 1112 Bernard Jas. Heideman Ax
- 1113 Edwin Frank Brucken Ba
- 1114 Lawrence Jos. Grollmes Se
- 1115 Mac David Bowen sa
- 1116 Leslie Kenneth Wright Ce
- 1117 Edward L. Heinen Se
- 1118 Roy Everet Marx Ce
- 1119 Leonard H. Grollmes Se
- 1120 Leo John Schmidt Ba
- 1121 Aloysius Albert Deters Ba
- 1122 Wilbur Brouhard Sa
- 1123 Aloysius Peter Kongs Co
- 1124 Harry Kenneth Meers We
- 1125 Richard K. Thompson Sa
- 1126 Howard Bartels Harms Se

- 1127 Paul Art Nightingale Co
- 1128 Elmer Taft Keck Ce
- 1129 Jacob John Heinen Ce
- 1130 Donald Eugene Little Ce
- 1131 Raymond Royal Burns Co
- 1132 Leonard H. Hammes Ba
- 1133 Eddie E. Schoonover We
- 1134 Ruben Fred. Lehmann Sa
- 1135 Kenneth Dale McKee Go
- 1136 William W. Ralston Sa
- 1137 Barney Fred Rethmann Ce
- 1138 Lester Gerald Crouse Co
- 1139 Floyd M. Eichelberger Sa
- 1140 Virgil Evan Brown Sa
- 1141 Dale LeRoy Mishler Sa
- 1142 Matthias Joseph Lierz Se
- 1143 Ernest Evern Grimm Sa
- 1144 Marvin LeRoy Isaac Sa
- 1145 Carl Fred Schmelzle Se
- 1146 John Leonard Smith Go
- 1147 Clarence F. Melcher Ce
- 1148 Emil C. Strahm Be
- 1149 Hubert L. Stallbaumer Se
- 1150 Martin Owen Ford Be

*To be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 13, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

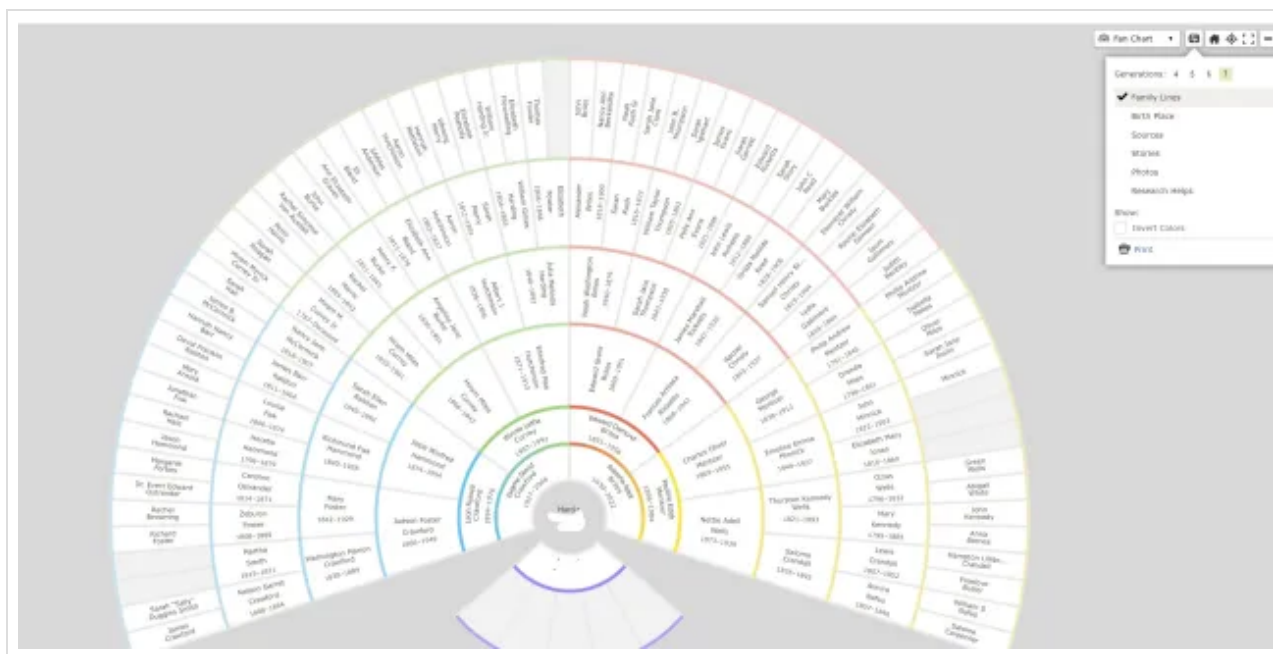
**It's Saturday Night again –**

**time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

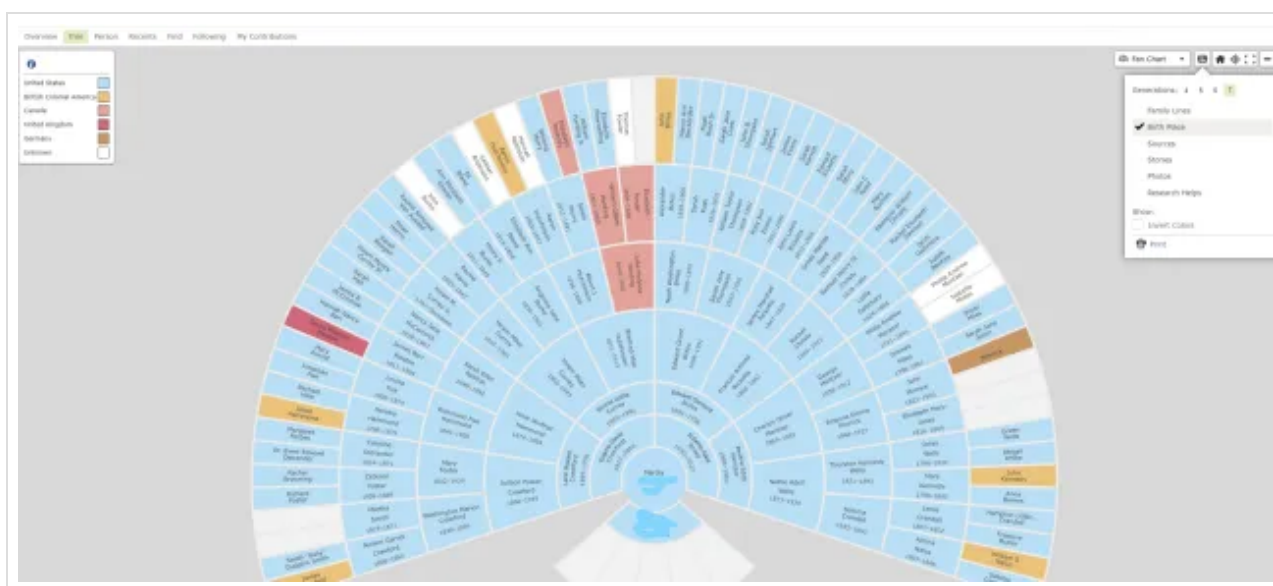
**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) Have you made a pedigree fan chart recently? Show us yours! How did you do it? Which program did you use?**

While I rarely print a fan chart, I use the Fan Chart view on FamilySearch as my default view. I tend to leave the coloring option set to 'family lines'.

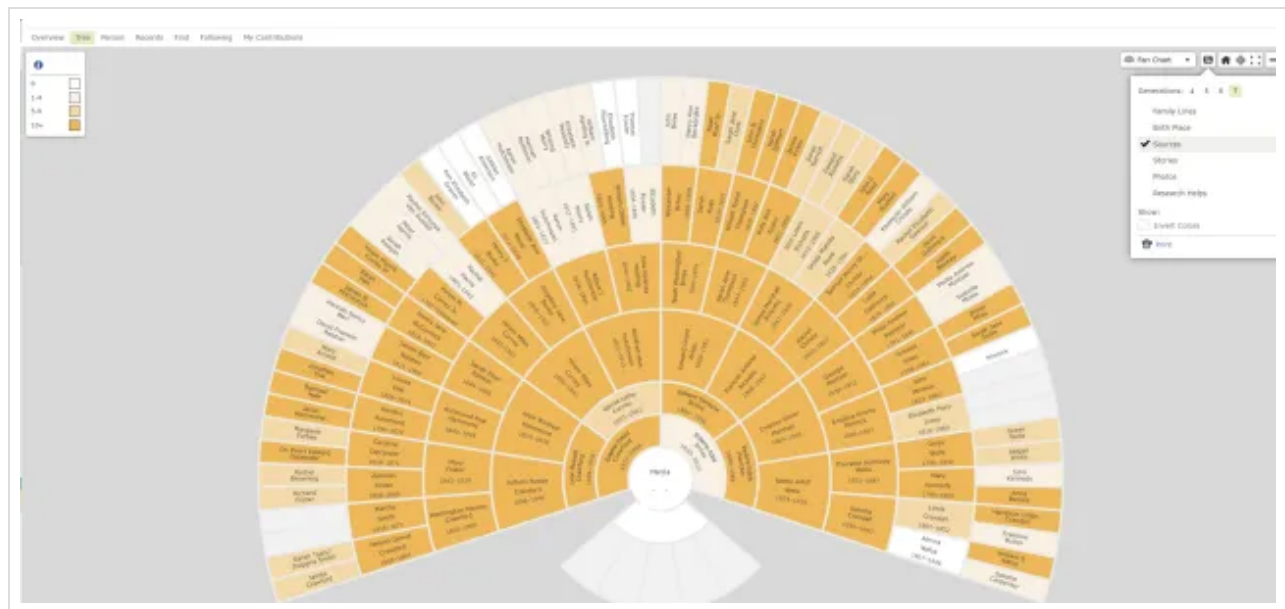


My husband likes the view with 'Birth Place' colored. Since most of my tree was in the US prior to the revolutionary war, I didn't think this view would be very helpful.

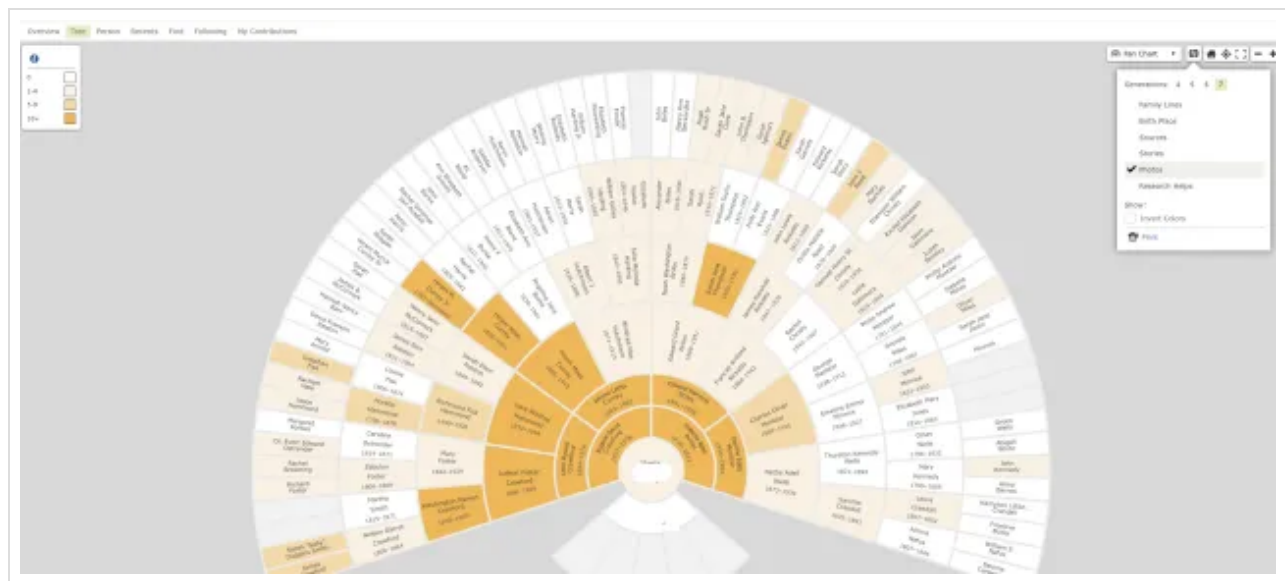


While my HARDING line does go back to Canada, the coloring on the above chart is a little deceiving. Several of these people are colored for 'British Colonial America' while the majority of my 7th generation ancestors are colored for United States. Since the coloring is based on what is entered for the birth place, it is dependent on how users enter places prior to the revolutionary war.

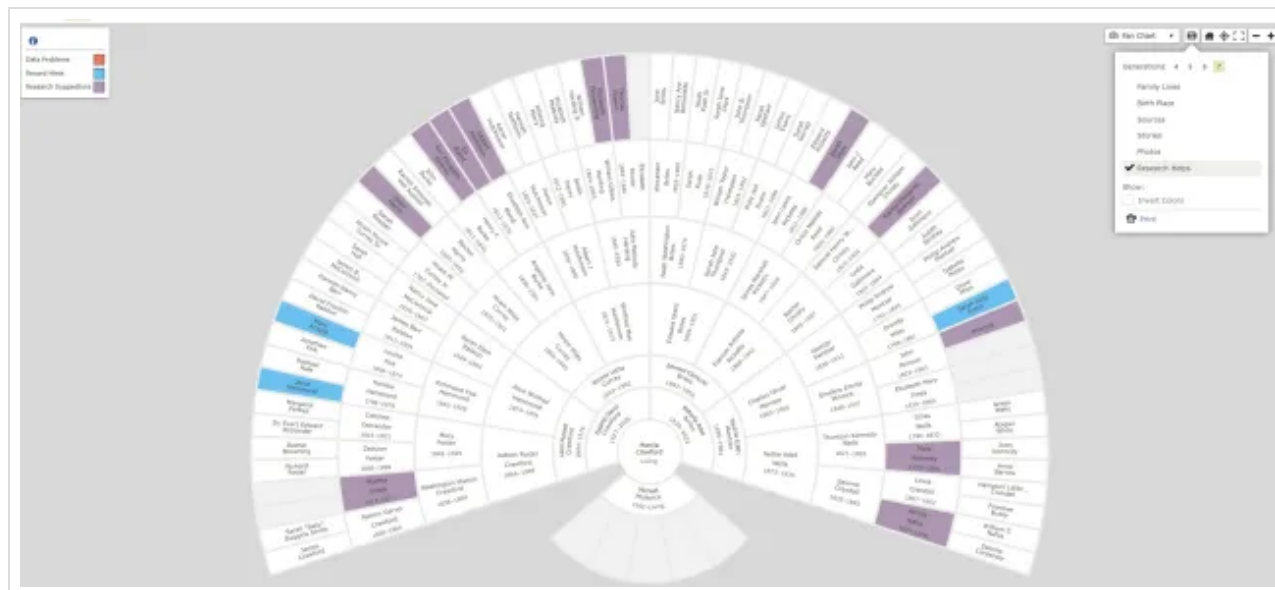
The view that shows 'sourcing' has helped me see which ancestors need better sourcing on the FamilySearch tree.



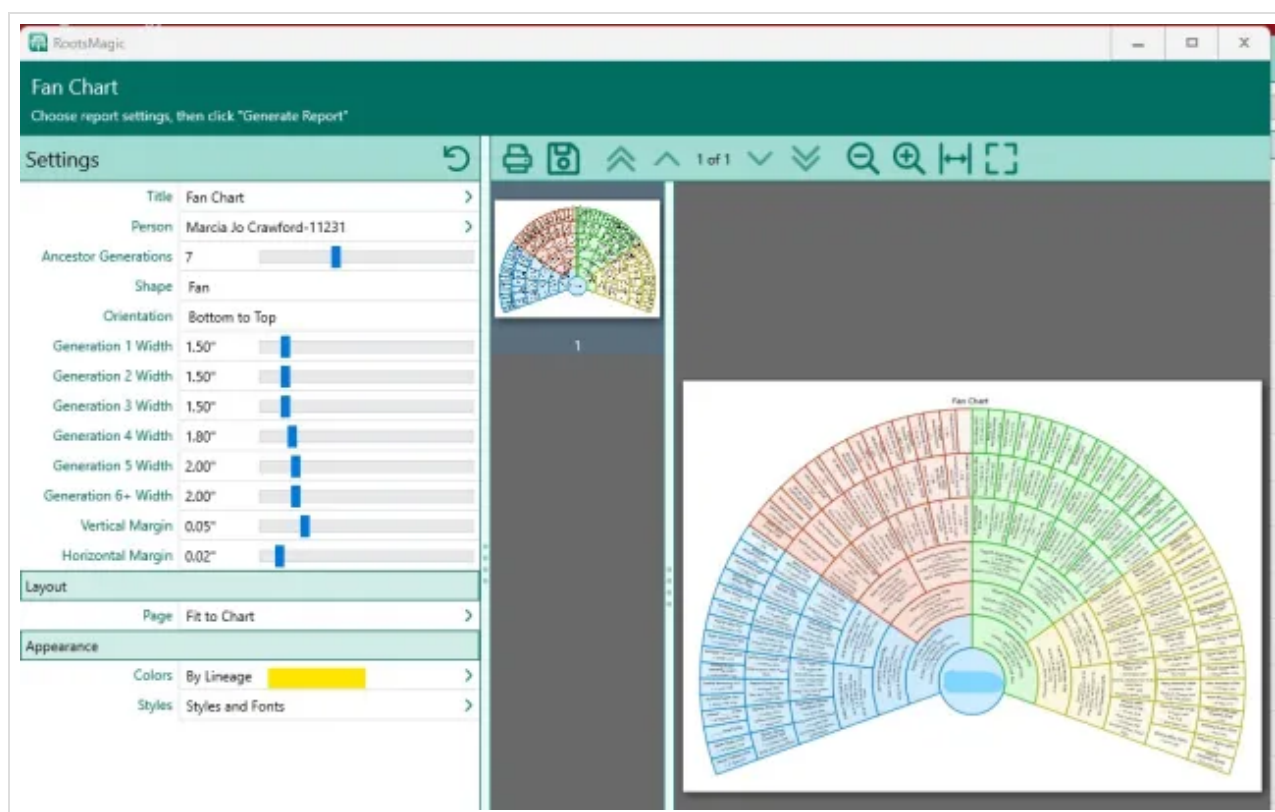
When I use the 'Stories' option, it shows me that very few stories have been uploaded for my ancestors. However, the 'photos' view is very helpful. Since I have photos from both of my grandparents, I need to make sure they are preserved by uploading them to the FamilySearch site. Thus, the Photos Fan chart is a guide.



While my current 'Research Helps' fan chart is pretty white, it had a lot of 'orange' about a week ago. Thanks to this chart, I was able to see 'data problems'. Since I corrected them, the 'orange' is now gone.

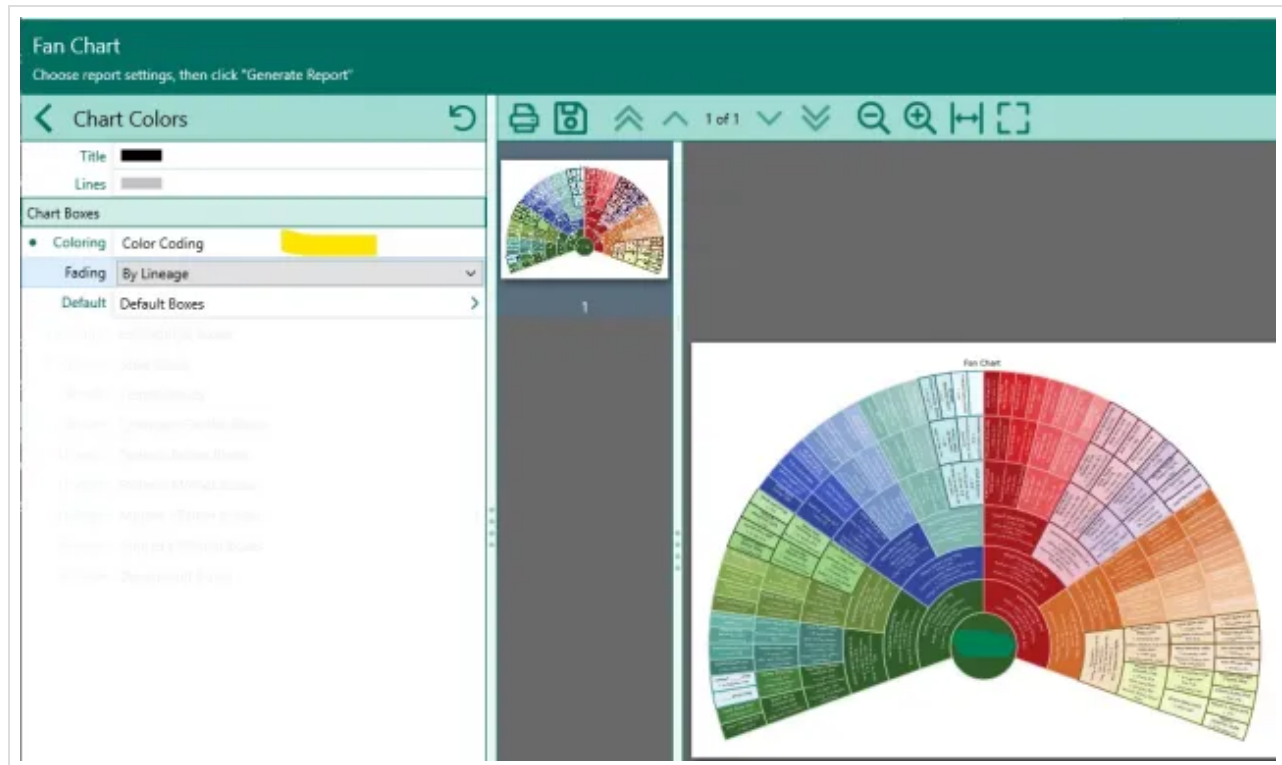


Since my RootsMagic software includes the ability to print FAN CHARTS, I decided to see the options available for printing these charts. Like the FS charts, there are several options for color coding the RM fan charts. Below, is a chart based on lineage.



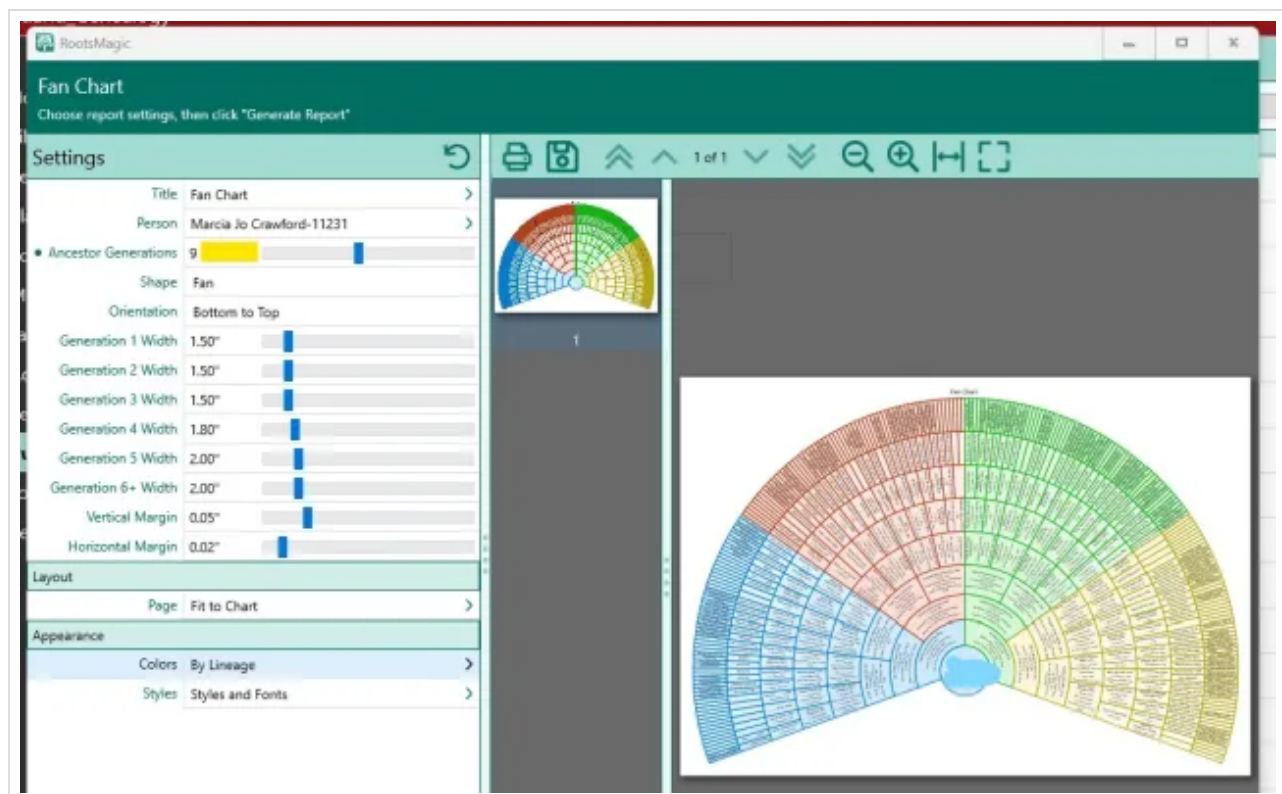
Since I have used color coding for my various lines, I could print a fan chart showing those colors.



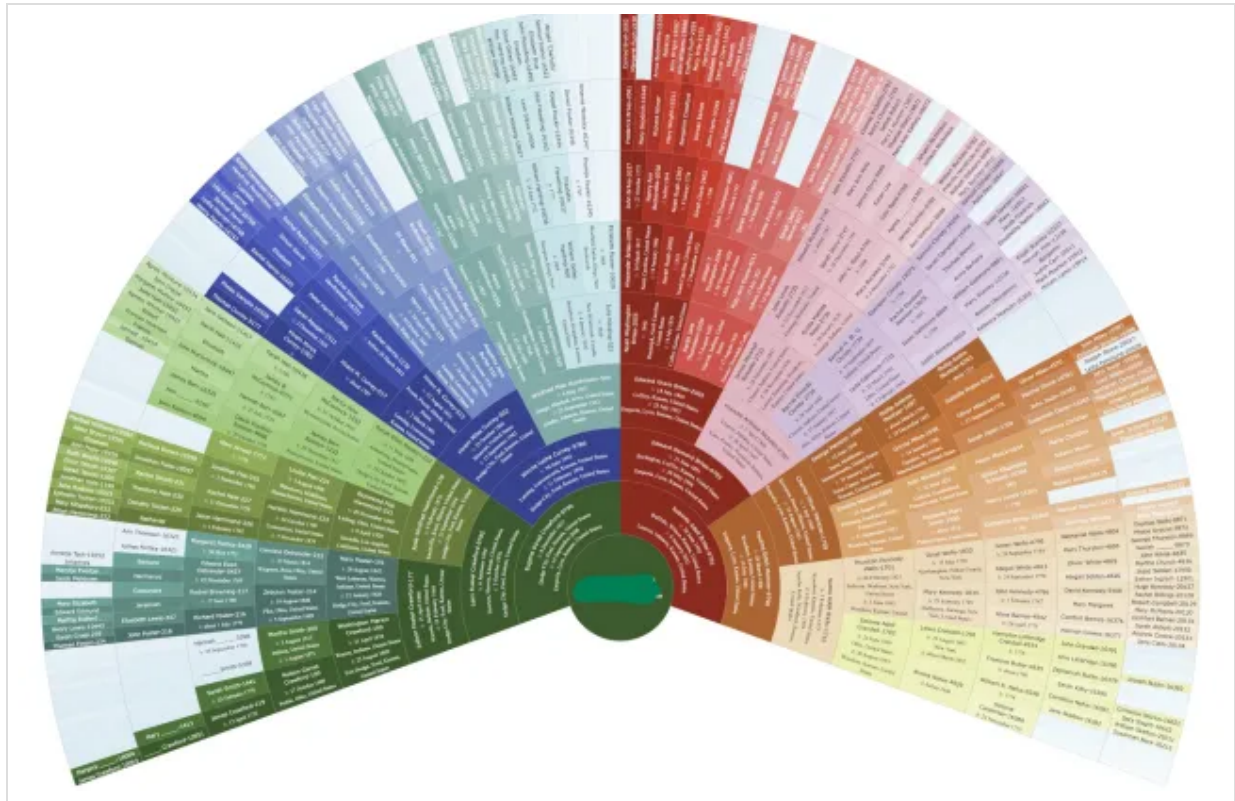


The RM fan chart can also be printed with coloring by gender, coloring for the X-Chromosome line and coloring for the Y-Chromosome line or without coloring,

Besides coloring, I can switch the generations. If I switch to 9 generations, I can see many of the 'holes' in my tree.



If I switch the 9 generation chart to 'color coding' my holes show up as light blue.



While RootsMagic and FamilySearch offer several ways to 'create' a FAN chart I likely will never actually print one.

# Dr Edward Ostrander

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 14, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEW YORK, OHIO, OSTRANDER

**Dr. Edward Evert Ostrander** was born on 22 Nov 1769 in Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was baptized on 24 Dec 1769 in Shawangunk, Ulster, New York, United States.

He was witness in 1795 in New York, United States. Edward Ostrander witnessed the will of Samuel Gardenier (of Charleston). The will was dated 7/3/1795 and probated 7/20/1807.

He married Margaret Forbes in 1796 in New York City.

Edward lived in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States in 1797.

He was appointed as a school commissioner about 1797 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Graham Ostrander who was born on 7 Mar 1797 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

Edward was witness in 1798 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

On 13 Jan 1798 he was in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Sarah “Sally” Ostrander who was born on 28 Nov 1798 in Rensselaer, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

Edward was witness of the will of Johannies Rose on 24 Dec 1798 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1799 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He lived in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States in 1800.

Edward held the office of in 1800 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Eliza Ann Ostrander who was born on 19 Jun 1800 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1801 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

Edward was listed on the tax rolls in 1802 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He held the office of Justice of the Peace in 1802 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Maria Fort Ostrander who was born on 3 Jan 1802 in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

In 1803, Edward was a trustee of the Presbyterian Church in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Anthony Miller Ostrander who was born on 9 Nov 1803 in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Jemima Ostrander who was born on 28 Mar 1805 .

Edward was listed on the tax rolls in 1806 in Montgomery, New York, United States.

In 1806, he was a member of the Rensselaer Medical Society in Rensselaer, New York, United States.

He was the father of Edward Ostrander who was born on 16 Feb 1807 .

Edward lived in Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States in 1810.

He was the father of George Graham Ostrander who was born on 4 Feb 1810 .

He lived in Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States before 1813.

Edward resided in 1813 in Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States . and was the first doctor

He was the father of Caroline Ostrander who was born on 23 Mar 1814 in Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States.

He was the father of Harriet Ostrander who was born on 25 Jun 1816 in Ross County, Ohio.

Edward lived in Green Township, Ross, Ohio on 7 Aug 1820.

He married Margery Sharp on 14 Mar 1827 in Pickaway, Ohio, United States.

He lived in Jackson Township, Pike County, Ohio on 1 Jul 1830. with 1 male 40-49; 1 male 60-69; 1 female 10-14, 1 female 15-19 and 1 female 40-49, listed as Edward Ostrander

He signed a will on 3 May 1835 in Pickaway, Ohio, United States.

Edward died on 24 May 1835 at the age of 65 in Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States.

He was buried at Cross Chapel Cemetery in Ross County, Ohio.

He had his estate probated on 15 Jun 1835 in Pickaway, Ohio, United States.



## Dr Edward Ostrander

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<b>BURIAL</b>	<u>Crouse Chapel Cemetery</u> Delano, Ross County, Ohio, USA  <a href="#">A</a>
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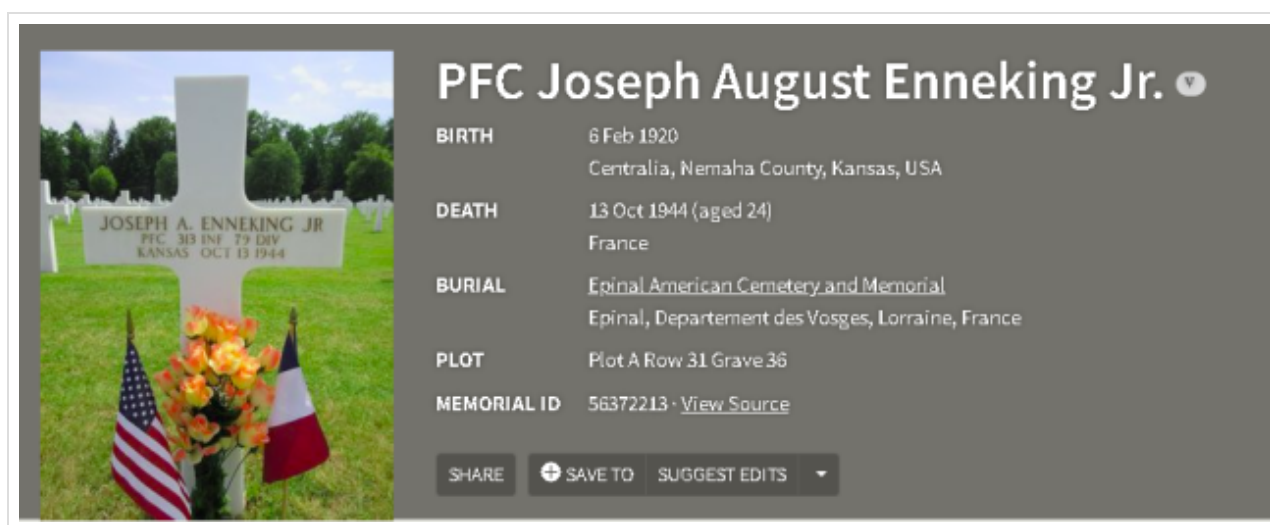
# Purple Heart

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 15, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, PURPLE HEART

## Joseph A. Enneking



*Courier Tribune*

*2 Nov 1944*

## A Kelly Soldier Reported Missing

Pfc. Joseph A. Enneking  
In France Three Months

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Enneking, Kelly, received word Monday, that their son, Pfc. Joseph A. Enneking, has been missing since October 13 in the European theater of war.

Joseph was a member of an infantry division, was about 24 years of age and had been overseas about three months. His sister, Mrs. Ben C. Holthaus, said Tuesday, he is believed to

have gone directly to France from the United States. He has been in service two years next month. The last letter Joseph's parents had from him was written October 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Enneking have another son in service, Pvt. Rochus Enneking, stationed at Camp Fannin, Texas.

Relatives and friends of the Enneking family are hoping they will soon receive word of Joseph's safety.



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*Dec 7, 1944*

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# Nathaniel Hammond Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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/ CATEGORIES: CONNECTICUT, HAMMOND

Have you been fortunate to find a will in a database or index on one of the major genealogy sites? (Think Ancestry, FamilySearch, My Heritage, etc.) While spending my week researching Jason Hammond, I found the will of his father, Nathaniel Hammond on Ancestry. This will identifies his second wife and children by both of his wives.

- Eleanor, wife
- son, Jason Hammond
- Father, Elijah Hammond
- son, Elijah
- son, Eli
- daughter, Mary Talcott
- Son, Allen Hammond
- Sons, Alvin, Calvin, George, and Chester
- daughters Candace Root, Dorothy White
- & Eleanor Wilcox
- two sons Mton Hammond and Nathaniel
- Hammond
- Executors: Elijah, Eli, Manton

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*In the name of God Amen*

*I Nathaniel Hammond of Bolton in Tolland County and State of Connecticut being of sound and desposing mind and memory do mankind ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say*

*I will that my just debts and funeral charges be well and duly paid by my two sons hereafter named*

*2nd I give and devise to my loving wife Eleanor Hammond the and improve*

*ment of one half of my now dwelling house and the sellar under it, and one third part of the barn and one half of hte garden north of the house with the priviledge of passing to and from the same and of laying fire wood in the most convenient place and the priviledge of using the wells of water appertaining to the above said premises and that she have sufficient*

*fire wood provided and cut for the fire at the door adn also the up and improvement of one certain parcel or piece of land lying on Boltons aforesaid*

*and is bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning one rod south of the Pine Tree in the line of the highway thence running East to the northwest corner of land thence South in the line of said Atwood land to the*

*South East corner of the said of land, thence west partly in the line of said Atwood land and partly in the north line of land belonging to Elijah White Esq to the highway thence North in the line of the high way to the first mentioned bound and the said Eleanor shall have six barrels of good cider put into her sellar every year for her to use and dispose of as she may think best and also the priviledge of taking what apples she may want for her own use from the orchard without or hindrance from any person whatever It is my will that the said Eleanor use occupy improve & dispose of all the above privliedges so long as she shall remain and live my widow And also I will & deise to the said Eleanor Hammond two good cows one good riding horse saddle & bridle and all the household furniture we shall be posses of at my decease and also my Great Bible Thos and Jay's Hamoons to be paid and giving up to her at my decease. And three hundred and fifty dollars to be paid to her in money or good obligations in one year after my decease all to be at her disposal for herself & her heirs forever*

*3rd I give and devise to my son Jason Hammond all my lands lying in East*

*Hartford which I had of my Father Elijah Hammond they being the land he*

*bout of Capt Ozias and Dear. “ \_ Stubbins to him his heirs and assigns forever 4th I give a devise to my son Elijah Hammond one parcel or piece of land lying in Vernon in Tolland County and is bounded as followeth (viz) West on a highway north on Elijah Skinners land East South on John Tucker Land it being the land I bought of \_ Conant of Mansfield containing by estimation ten acres be the same more or less to him his heirs and assigns forever*

*Item 5th*

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*Item 5th*

*I give and devise to my son Eli Hammond all the land lying in Vernon in the County of Tolland which I bought of A Webster and all the land lying in said Vernon which my Father Elijah Hammond bought of David West to him his heir sand assigns forever*

*And it is my will also that my son Eli Hammond pay two hundred dollars to my daughter Mary Talcott to be paid in money Neat Stock or land appraised by indifferent men, in one year and six months after my demise to be her own and her heirs or assigns forever.*

*Item 6th*

*I give and devise to my son Allen Hammond Ten dollars to be paid to him his heirs or assigns in two years after my demise*

*Item 7th*

*I give and devise to my sons Alvan Hammond, Calvon Hammond, George Hammond and Chester Hammond three dollars each to be paid to them their heirs or assigns in two years after my*

*Item 8th*

*I give and devise to my three daughters Candace Root, Dorothy White & Eleanor Wilcox one hundred and fifty dollars each to be paid to them in two years after my demise in money, neat stock or land apprise by indifferent men, to them and their heirs forever.*

*Item 9th*

*I give and devise to my grand daughter Emilla Hammond one good cow to be paid to her in one year after my demise*

*Item 10th*

*I give and devise to my two sons Mton Hammond and Nathaniel Hammond all the remainder of my estate good, and Chattels both real and personal that is not otherwise siphoned of in this my lat will & testament and it is also my will that the land and tenements that are to be occupied and improved by my now wife Eleanor shall after her decease or marriage revert to and be the sole property of my two sons ton & Nathaniel and their heirs and assigns forever And it is also my will that my two sons Manton & Nathaniel Hammond pay all my just debts and funeral charges and all the legacies that I have ordered to be paid except the two hundred dollars that I have ordered my son Eli Hammond to pay to my daughter Mary Talcott And do I hereby constitute and appoint my sons Elijah Hammond Eli Hammond & [Manton} Hammond to be the executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal at bottom his first day of February in the year of our Lord 1809 Nathl Hammond*

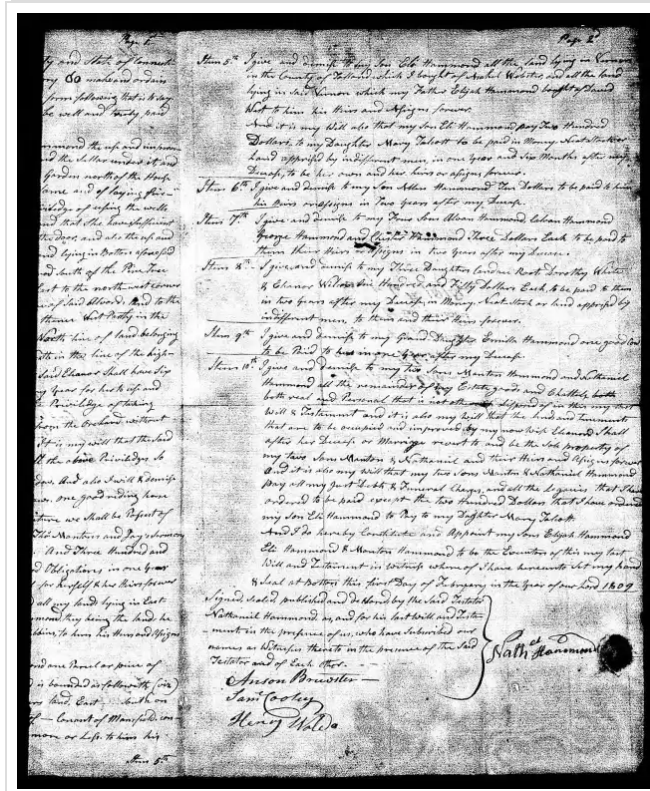
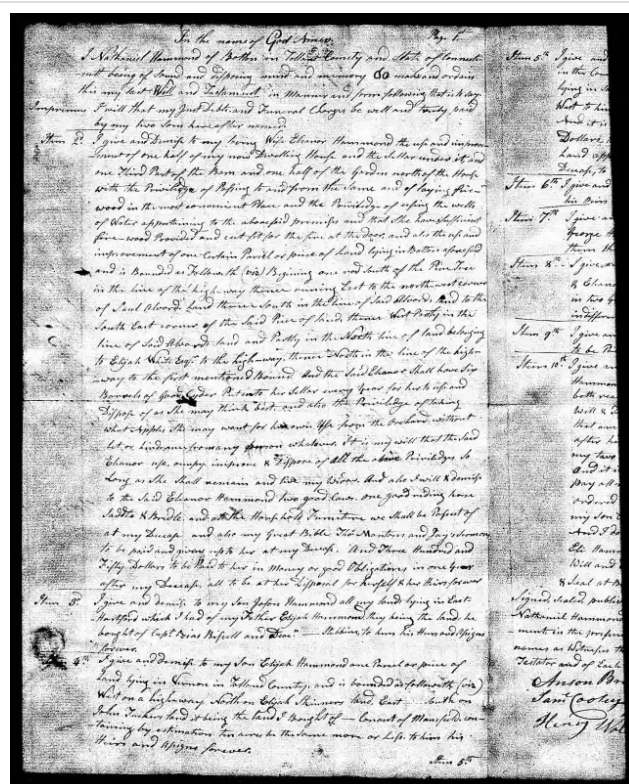
*Signed sealed published and declared by the said testator Nathaniel Hammond as, and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the said testator and of each other*

*Anson Brewster*

*Sam Cooley*

*Henry Wale*

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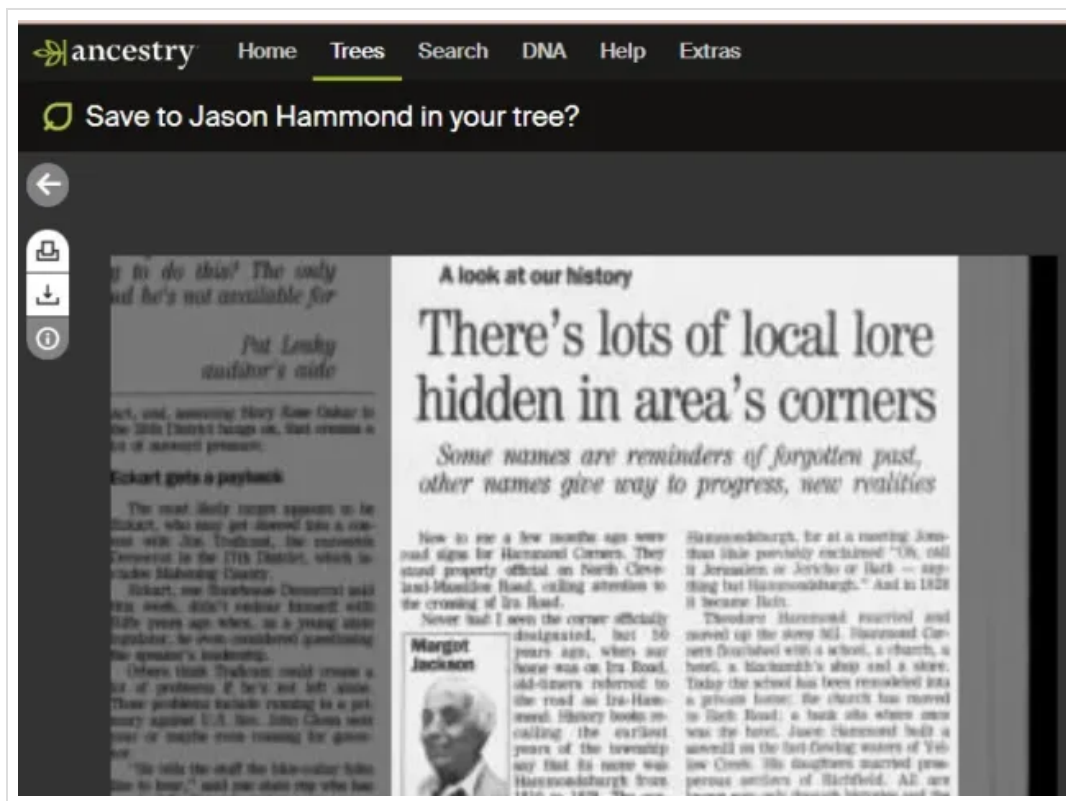
# Local Lore

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 17, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: HAMMOND, OHIO

Have you ever tried to locate the source of a clipping shared on Ancestry. Depending on the subject of the clipping, I sometimes try to locate the source of the clipping. While researching my Hammond line, I came across such a clipping regarding local stories from Bath, Ohio.



Intrigued by this article, I tried to locate it. Since I did not know the name of the paper or the date, I had to do a broad search. However, I did assume that the article was from Ohio. Thus, I searched Newspapers.com for Hammond “local lore” in Ohio.



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3 Matches - Hammond "Local Lore" in Ohio

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**Troy Daily News**  
PAGE 10  
Troy, Ohio  
Sunday, January 12, 1997  
1 of 7 matches on this page.

**The Akron Beacon Journal**  
PAGE 11  
Akron, Ohio  
Friday, September 06, 1991  
1 of 9 matches on this page.

And the article in The Akron Beacon Journal matches the clipping. Since the article relates a tale about the Hammond family's move to Ohio, I'm glad I searched for this article.

” *The Akron Beacon Journal (Akron, Ohio)*  
*Sept. 6, 1991*

*A look at our history  
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by Margot Jackson*

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A look at our history

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Margot Jackson

# Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 18, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: DODGE CITY, FORD COUNTY, HAMMOND

## Homesteading

Did any of your ancestors homestead? While going over my HAMMOND research, I found a copy of a homestead 'deed' in my files for Richmond F. Hammond in Ford County, Kansas.

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FINAL RECEIVER'S RECEIPT, No. 536 APPLICATION, No. 7688

**HOMESTEAD.**

RECEIVER'S OFFICE, Garden City Kans.

Nov 26 1887

Received of Richmond F. Hammond. the sum

of Eight dollars \_\_\_\_\_ cents

being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of \_\_\_\_\_

Sec 14 & 27. 2nd 26th

of Section 6 in Township 27 N. of Range 26 W.

containing 160 acres, under Section 2201 of the

Revised Statutes of the United States.

\$ 8.00

A. J. Houser Receiver.

Entered in Transfer Record in my office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 188 \_\_\_\_\_

County Clerk.

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a true, and perfect copy of the original instrument of writing which was

filed with me for record on the 28 day of Nov A. D. 1887, at 4 o'clock P.M.

J. J. Gernigan Register of Deeds.

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Receiver's Office Garden City Kans.

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*Received of Richmond F Hammond the sum  
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being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of  
Lots Z& 2 S1/2 NE 1/4  
of section 6 in Township 27S of range 26 N  
containing 160 48/ acres, under Section 2291 of the  
Revised Statutes of the United States.*

*\$8.—*

*S. Thauhousen*

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J. G. Jenigan  
Register of Deeds*

**FORD COUNTY KANSAS, DEEDS, BOOK O PAGE 384; RICHMOND F HAMMOND, 26  
NOVEMBER 1887; REGISTER OF DEEDS, DODGE CITY KANSAS.**

Knowing that the patents obtained by a homesteader could be found on the Bureau of Land Management website, I searched the BLM site for Richmond Hammond in Kansas. And I found two records, one in Ford County and one in Pratt County.

## Ford County Patent



*Bureau of Land Management*

*480*

*The United States of America*

*To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting*

*Homestead Certificate No 536**Application 7688*

*Whereas there has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Garden*

*City Kansas, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on*

*the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Richmond*

*F. Hammond has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the lot numbered one and two and the South half of the North east quarter of Section*

*six in Township twenty seven south of Range twenty*

*six west of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Kansas*

*containing one hundred and sixty acres and forty eight hundredths of an acre*

*according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General*

*Now know ye, that there is therefore granted by the United States unto the said Richmond F Hammond*

*the tract of land above described: To have and to hold the said tract of land, with*

*the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Richmond F. Hammond and to his*

*heirs and assigns forever.*

*In testimony whereof I, Benjamin Harrison*

*President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.*

*Given under my hand at the City of Washington, the thirteenth*

*day of December in the year of Our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty nine and of the  
Independence of the United States the one hundred and fourteenth  
By the President: Benjamin Harrison  
By M McKean Sec'y  
A. R. Canwell, Recorder of the General Land Office  
ad interim*

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20 DECEMBER 2020), RICHMOND F HAMMOND.**

## Pratt County Land



*Bureau of Land Management*

*400*

*The United States of America  
Osage Trust Lands  
Certificate No. 2887*

*To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:  
Whereas, Richmond F. Hammond of Pratt County  
Kansas  
has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate  
of the Register of the Land Office  
at Larned Kansas, whereby it appears that full payment has been made  
by the said  
Richmond F. Hammond according to the provisions of  
the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making  
further provision for the sale of the Public Lands,"*

*and the acts supplemental thereto, for the North West quarter of the South East quarter the South West quarter of the North East quarter the South East quarter of the North West quarter and the North East quarter f the South West quarter of section twenty in Township twenty seven South of Range fourteen West of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Kansas containing one hundred and sixty acres.*

*according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General,*

*which said tract has been purchased by the said Richmond F. Hammond*

*Now know ye, that the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity*

*with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and by these presents*

*do give and grant, unto the said*

*Richmond F. Hammond*

*and to his heirs, the said tract above described: TO have and to hold the same, together with all the rights*

*privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging unto the said*

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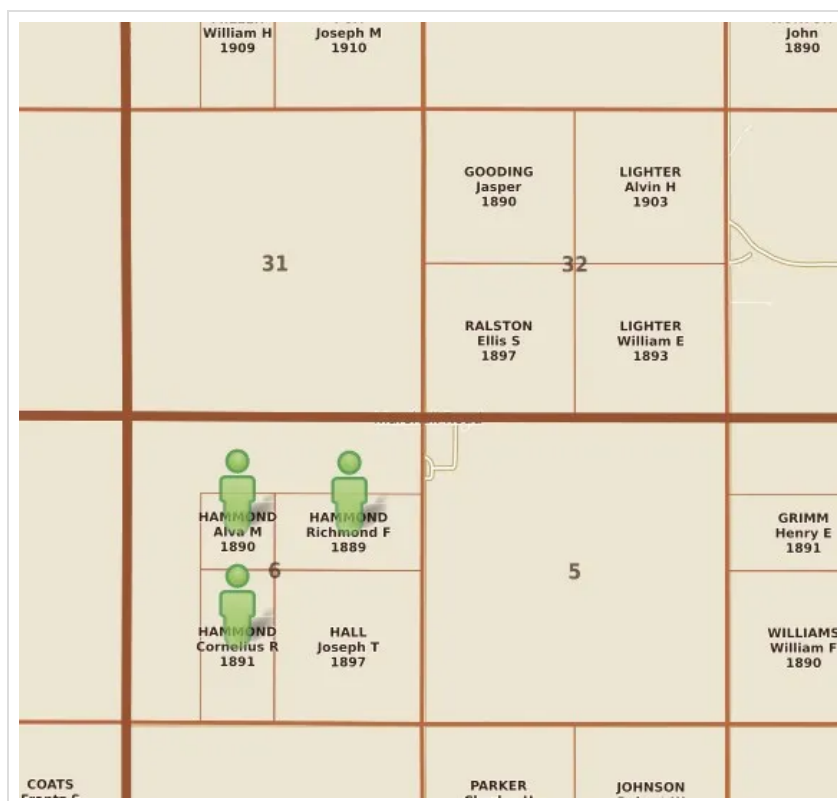
*Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the twenty sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and fourteenth*

*By the President: Benjamin Harrison]*

*By M. McKean Secretary*

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22 DECEMBER 2020), RICHMOND F HAMMOND.**

So, what proof do I have that the Richmond Hammond of Pratt county is the same Richmond Hammond of Ford County? Not only do I have lots of data placing my second great-grandfather Richmond Hammond in Ford County, but his neighbors were mainly relatives.



Not only did the section 6 landowners include his brother, Cornelius and nephew, Alva but section 32 included two of his brother-in-laws: Ellis Ralston and William Lightner.

So what about the Pratt county land? Unfortunately, those neighbors are not familiar to me.



TYLER John C 1890	FRETZ Nathaniel K 1903	FRETZ Nathaniel K 1903	WALTON John D 1891	
	THORP Andrew J 1890	HARRISON Charles S 1890		
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	ROGERS Alvara 1891	HAMMOND Richmond F 1890		
QUILLEN William W 1889	ROGERS Alvara 1891	HAMMOND Richmond F 1890	20 HAMMOND Richmond F 1890	SELDOMRIDGE George A 1889
		WEDMORE Arthur 1890	THORP John J 1890	GODDARD Abram S 1890

Thus, I'm back to wondering whether these land transactions are for the same Richmond F. Hammond. Fortunately, one of the obituaries for his daughter, Josie, indicates that the family did live in Pratt county.



### *Pioneer of Kansas Dies at Dodge City*

*(Special to the Eagle)*

*Dodge City, Kan. Sept. 27 – Mrs. Josie W. Crawford, 79, widely known resident for many years here, died Monday morning in Trinity hospital where she had been a patient briefly for treatment. She had been active until her final illness.*

*Born Feb. 9, 1875 in Knox County, Ill., **she came with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richmond F. Hammond to Pratt County.** Two years later the family moved to a farm in Ford County southwest of Dodge City and later moved to Dodge City.*

*Miss Hammond was married to Judson F. Crawford Dec. 24, 1890. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1940. Mr. Crawford died in February , 1949.*

*Mrs. Crawford had been active in Methodist work since girlhood and*

*received her 50 year pin several years ago. Among her many public services Mrs. Crawford helped organize and was an active member of the East Side Bible Class organized in 1917 and still active. Final rites are slated for w p.m. Wednesday in the First Methodist Church here with the Rev. Alvin W. Murray officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery here.*

**"PIONEER OF KANSAS DIES AT DODGE CITY," THE WICHITA EAGLE (WICHITA, KANSAS), 28 SEPTEMBER 1954, PAGE 11; DIGITAL IMAGE, NEWSPAPERS.COM (WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 5 SEPTEMBER 2021).**

So, one piece of paper led me to additional sources. Then those sources made me question whether I had mixed up two people. It was only a source I had for another family member which clarified that these records were for the same person.



# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 19, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from August 12, 2023*

- 1151 William James Baker Ce
- 1152 Henry Francis Hermes Go
- 1153 Cyril Wilhelm Onei
- 1154 Emil Frank Lechner Se
- 1155 Robert John Guth Ke
- 1156 Chester Amos Kinsey Se
- 1157 Aloysius Jos. Boeding Co
- 1158 Clifford L. McKinsey Co
- 1159 John B. Rethman Se
- 1160 Harold Collier Go
- 1161 Arthur Frederick Klahr We
- 1162 Francis Flaherty Ja
- 1163 Howard Freeman Bell Onei
- 1164 George Frank Koch Ba
- 1165 Darwin Earnest Nell Sa
- 1166 Terrance Hurst Cox Co
- 1167 August Frank Shump Sa
- 1168 Harry Lloyd Wherry Sa
- 1169 Roy Elmer Leman Sa
- 1170 Lyle William Myrick Sa
- 1171 Bernard Edward Hittle Go
- 1172 Fred Earnest Walters Ce
- 1173 Joseph F. Steinlage Ce
- 1174 Ralph John Myers Ce
- 1175 Lawrence T Fangman Se
- 1176 Arthur Emile Dodd Ce

1177 Russell John Mishler Sa  
1178 Kenneth N. Carpenter Sa  
1179 Andrew J. Haverkamp Se  
1180 Edwin Henry Holthaus Se  
1181 Lester Harold Hartter Be  
1182 Vernon Severt Brack We  
1183 Charles Joseph Liening Se  
1184 Gerald E. Carpenter Sa  
1185 Alvin Henry Koch Ba  
1186 Paul Laufs Norton Ce  
1187 Elm'r W. McConnaugh'y Go  
1188 Weir Milford Neff Be  
1189 Edward B. Schmitz Ba  
1190 Van L. McDaniel Jr We  
1191 Merlin Chester Myers Se  
1192 Albert S Hay, Jr So  
1193 Ralph Edwin Most Se  
1194 Paul John Olberding Se  
1195 Harold Clowe Se  
1196 Marvin Emil Hartman Se  
1197 Donald E. Tibbetts Be  
1198 Clarence LeRoy Smith Be  
1199 Raymond Leo Becker Ce  
1200 Howard Lawson Frans Co

*To be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 20, 2023

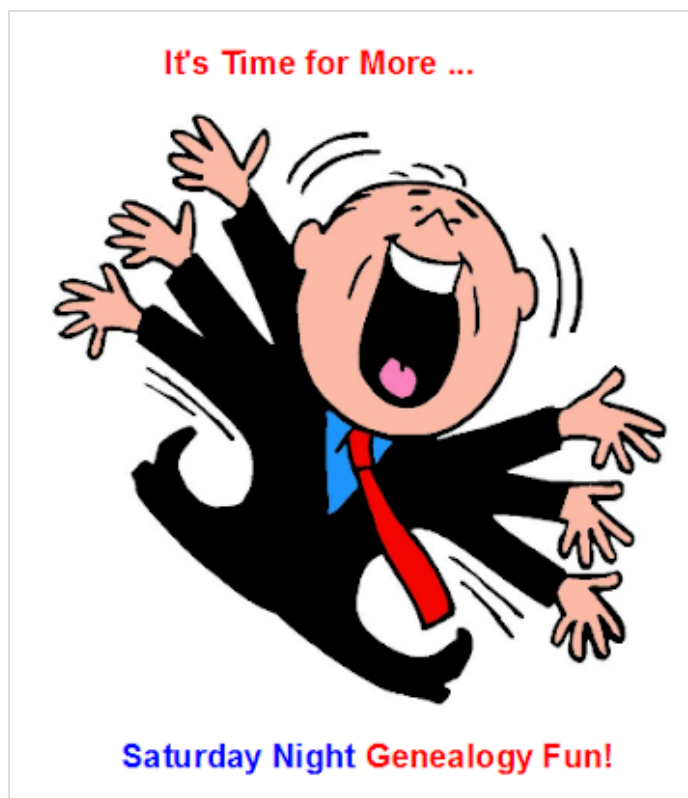
/ CATEGORIES: ROOTSMAGIC 9

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**



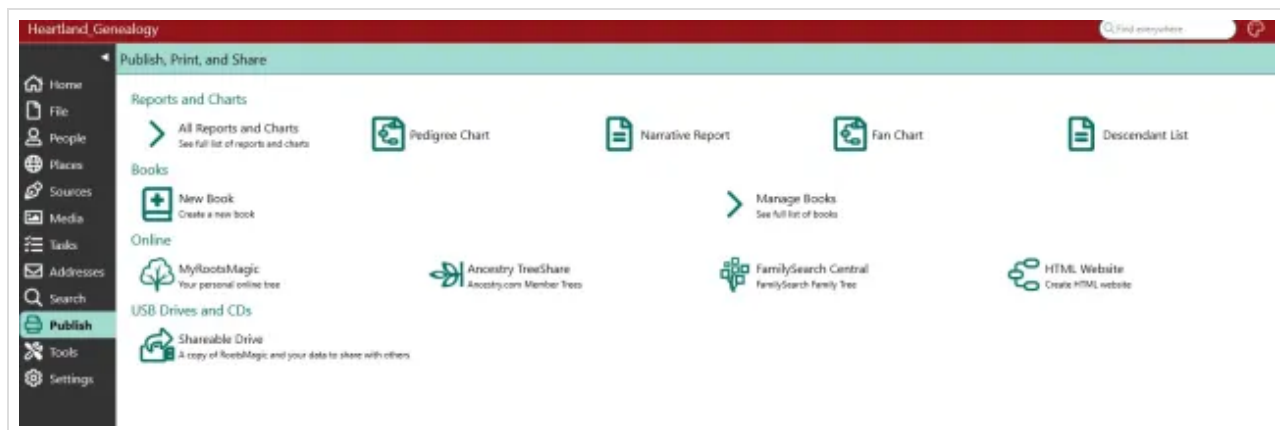
**1) Have you made an ahnentafel report (“name table” in German) recently? Show us yours! How did you do it? Which program did you use?**

## Ahnentafel Reports

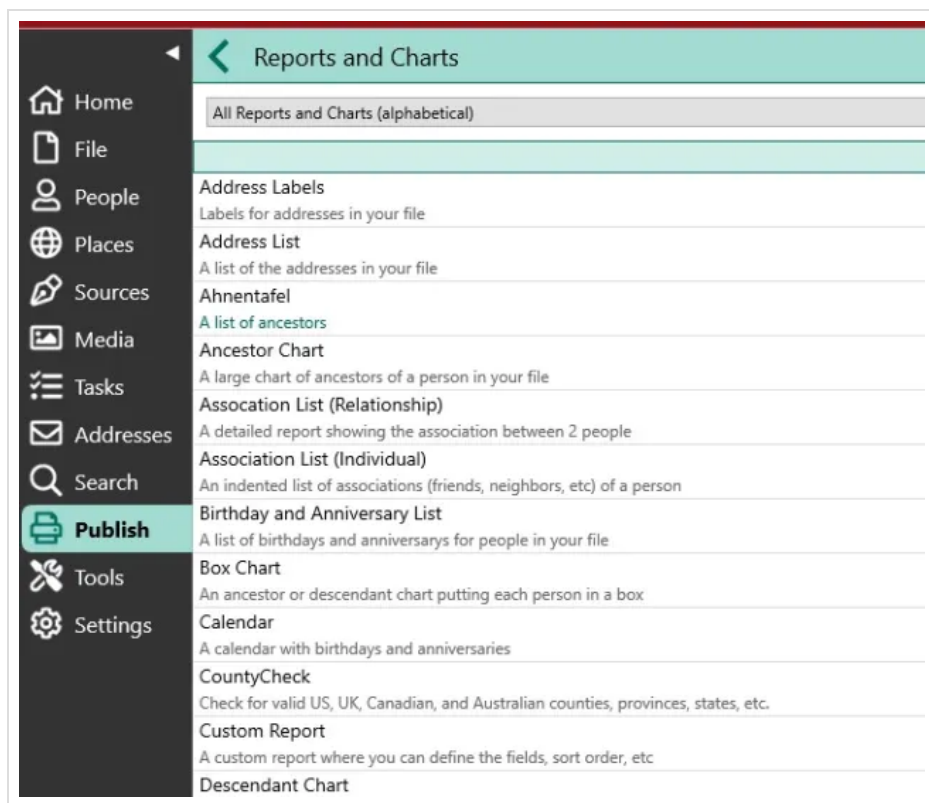
While I haven't printed an Ahnentafel Report in a long time, this was the report that I used when making research trips in pre-Internet days. Since I can access my tree online during a research trip, I no longer print this chart.

This chart is easy to create in my genealogy software: RootsMagic 9

- Highlight starting person
- Since I rarely use the Ahnentafel chart, it is not one of the reports that is listed on the PUBLISH page.

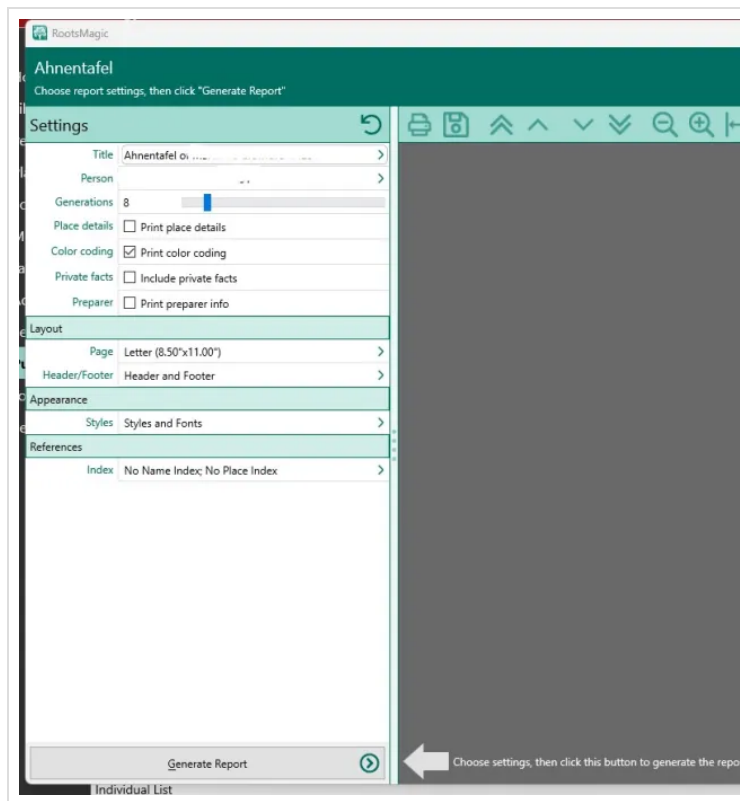


- Clicking on 'ALL REPORTS AND CHARTS' will open an alphabetical list of available reports

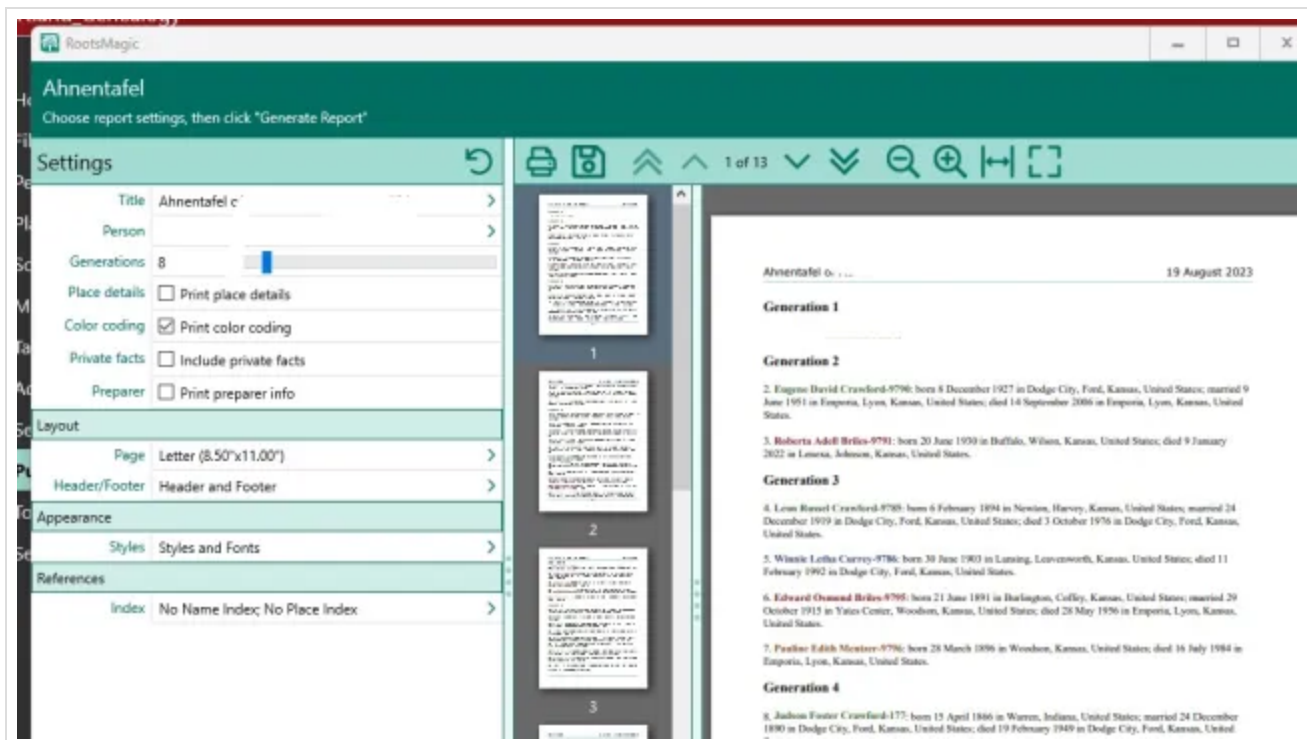


- Clicking on AHNENTAFEL opens the 'SETTINGS' screen for the report





- Depending on the depth of one's tree, it is possible to 'slide' the generations from 1 to 63.
- If desired, one can also add a name index and/or a place index.
- Clicking on the "GENERATE REPORT" at the bottom of the SETTINGS window creates the chart.



- The report could then be sent directly to a printer by clicking the printer icon or saved by clicking the disk icon.

Below is my ahnentafel thru 8 generations starting with my grandparents. (Note: The numbers after the names are the record numbers in my database. My data was imported from The Master Genealogist where data was imported from PAF. The numbers were created during the import into TMG.)

### Generation 3

4. **Leon Russel Crawford-9785**: born 6 February 1894 in Newton, Harvey, Kansas, United States; married 24 December 1919 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States; died 3 October 1976 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

5. **Winnie Letha Currey-9786**: born 30 June 1903 in Lansing, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States; died 11 February 1992 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

6. **Edward Osmond Briles-9795**: born 21 June 1891 in Burlington, Coffey, Kansas, United States; married 29 October 1915 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States; died 28 May 1956 in Emporia, Lyon, Kansas, United States.

7. **Pauline Edith Mentzer-9796**: born 28 March 1896 in Woodson, Kansas, United States; died 16 July 1984 in Emporia, Lyon, Kansas, United States.

### Generation 4

8. **Judson Foster Crawford-177**: born 15 April 1866 in Warren, Indiana, United States; married 24 December 1890 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States; died 19 February 1949 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

9. **Josie Winifred Hammond-178**: born 9 February 1874 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States; died 27 September 1954 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

10. **Hiram Miles Currey-502**: born 23 October 1866 in Missouri, United States; married 13 May 1891 in Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States; died 15 September 1943 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

11. **Winifred Mae “Winnie” Hutchinson-503**: born 6 May 1871 in Osage, Mitchell, Iowa, United States; died 23 September 1913 in Olathe, Johnson, Kansas, United States.

12. **Edward Grant Briles-2065**: born 18 July 1869 in Coffey, Kansas, United States; married 19 February 1890 in Woodson, Kansas, United States; died 23 July 1951 in Emporia, Lyon, Kansas, United States.

13. **Frances Artlissa “Artie” Ricketts-2707**: born 7 April 1868 in Clinton, Indiana, United States; died 28 April 1947 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States.

14. **Charles Oliver Mentzer-1709**: born 1 July 1869 in Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, United States; married 18 October 1893 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States; died 15 August 1955 in Emporia, Lyon, Kansas, United States.

15. **Nettie Adell Wells-1710**: born 5 February 1873 in Woodson, Kansas, United States; died 9 February 1939 in Neosho Falls, Woodson, Kansas, United States.

## Generation 5

16. **Washington Marion Crawford-190**: born 21 April 1838 in Warren, Indiana, United States; married 4 March 1860 in West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States; died 23 August 1889 in Fort Dodge, Ford, Kansas, United States.

17. **Mary Foster-191**: born 28 August 1842 in West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States; died 21 January 1929 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.

18. **Richmond Fisk Hammond-221**: born 20 November 1840 in Licking, Ohio, United States; married 1 January 1867 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States; died 8 April 1928 in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States.

19. **Sarah Ellen Ralston-222**: born 11 May 1849 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States; died 18 October 1892 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States.
20. **Hiram M. Currey-515**: born 13 August 1835 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States; married 3 August 1856 in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States; died 2 March 1901 in Lansing, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States.
21. **Angelina Jane Burke-516**: born 30 October 1836 in Kentucky, United States; died 26 March 1901 in Lansing, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States.
22. **Albert Hutchinson-520**: born about 1836 in Northhampton, Fulton County, New York; married 14 September 1859 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States; died 22 July 1896 in Doniphan, Doniphan, Kansas, United States.
23. **Julia Harding-521**: born 1840 in New Brunswick, Canada; died 4 January 1892 in Doniphan, Doniphan, Kansas, United States.
24. **Noah Washington Briles-2055**: born 1840 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States; married 9 August 1866 in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States; died 14 July 1879 in Coffey, Kansas, United States.
25. **Sarah Jane Thompson-2056**: born 7 August 1843 in Warrick, Indiana, United States; died 17 August 1930 in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States.
26. **James Marshall Ricketts-2733**: born 28 November 1847 in Clinton, Indiana, United States; married 12 July 1866 in Frankfort, Clinton, Indiana, United States; died 28 November 1920 in Liberty Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States.
27. **Rachel Elmeda Christy-2734**: born 28 April 1845 in Clinton, Indiana, United States; died 27 January 1927 in Iola, Allen, Kansas, United States.
28. **George Mentzer-1694**: born 12 June 1838 in Stow, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States; married 1 January 1868 in Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, United States; died 19 January

1912 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States.

29. **Emiline Minnick-1695**: born 26 August 1848 in Pittsburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania; died 13 September 1927 in Woodson, Kansas, United States.

30. **Thurston Kennedy Wells-1701**: born 26 February 1821 in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States; married 20 March 1861 in Van Buren, Iowa, United States; died 3 June 1893 in Woodson, Kansas, United States.

31. **Salome Adell Crandall-1702**: born 24 June 1836 in Ohio, United States; died 30 August 1893 in Woodson, Kansas, United States.

## Generation 6

32. **Nelson Garret Crawford-199**: born 17 October 1808 in Preble, Ohio, United States; married 3 September 1833 in Warren, Indiana, United States; died 21 March 1864 in Warren, Indiana, United States.

33. **Martha Smith-200**: born 3 August 1815 in Indiana, United States; died 1 August 1871 in Warren, Indiana, United States.

34. **Zebulon Foster-214**: born 19 August 1808 in Pike, Ohio, United States; married 14 February 1833 in Pike, Ohio, United States; died 5 September 1889 in Warren, Indiana, United States.

35. **Caroline Ostrander-215**: born 23 March 1814 in Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States; died 3 June 1871 in Warren, Indiana, United States.

36. **Horatio Hammond-223**: born 24 October 1798 in Connecticut, United States; married 14 April 1825 in Medina, Medina, Ohio, United States; died 7 November 1879 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States.

37. **Louisa Fisk-224**: born 5 August 1806 in Watertown, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States; died 17 August 1874 in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States.
38. **James Barr Ralston-1232**: born 20 December 1811 in Pennsylvania, United States; married about 1836 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States; died 4 July 1904 in Grundy, Iowa, United States.
39. **Nancy Jane McCormick-1233**: born 15 October 1818 in Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, United States; died 3 November 1907 in Grundy, Iowa, United States.
40. **Hiram M. Currey-517**: born about 1787; married 28 September 1824 in Edgar, Edgar, Illinois, United States.
41. **Rachel Harris-1278**: died before 28 March 1842.
42. **Henry F. Burke-518**: born 30 April 1811; married 22 October 1835 in Monroe, Kentucky, United States; died 30 October 1845 in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States.
43. **Elizabeth Ann Bland-519**: born 25 December 1813; died before February 1865 in Platte, Missouri, United States.
44. **Aaron Hutchinson-10394**: born 1803 in Smyrna, Chenango County New York; died 28 March 1837 in New York, New York, United States.
45. **Sarah Merry-10395**: born 1813; died 6 March 1845 in New York, New York, United States.
46. **William Gillies Harding-560**: born 1804 in Hampton, Kings, New Brunswick; married 16 September 1830 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick; died 15 August 1865 in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.
47. **Elizabeth Fowler-10029**: born 1804 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick; died 29 January 1846 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick.

48. **Alexander Briles-2059**: born 14 March 1817 in North Carolina, United States; died 14 January 1900 in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States.
49. **Sarah Rush-2060**: born 1816 in North Carolina, United States; died 2 September 1872 in Coffey, Kansas, United States.
50. **William T. Thompson-2064**: born 29 December 1820 in Ohio, United States; married 30 October 1842 in Warrick, Indiana, United States; died 12 September 1898.
51. **Polly Ann Evans-4511**: born 25 July 1821 in Indiana, United States; died 14 April 1896 in Wapello, Iowa, United States.
52. **John Lewis Ricketts-2735**: born 22 November 1812 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States; married 3 December 1846 in Clinton, Indiana, United States; died 23 December 1888 in Clinton, Indiana, United States.
53. **Orilda Matilda Reed-2736**: born 20 January 1828 in Jennings, Indiana, United States; died 28 June 1900 in Clinton, Indiana, United States.
54. **Samuel H. St. G. Christy-7734**: born 11 September 1819 in Indiana, United States; married 3 March 1842 in Fayette, Ohio, United States; died 24 March 1904 in Clinton, Indiana, United States.
55. **Lyda Gallimore-7735**: born 25 March 1824 in Ohio, United States; died 1 February 1864 in Clinton, Indiana, United States.
56. **Phillip Andrew Mentzer-1697**: born about March 1793; married 23 May 1816; died 19 December 1845 in Stow, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States.
57. **Orinda Miles-1698**: born 14 January 1798 in Gardner, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States; died 18 October 1861 in Stow, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States.

58. **John Minnick-1696**: born 22 June 1822 in Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States; married 28 October 1843 in Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States; died 21 April 1903 in Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, United States.

59. **Elizabeth Mary Jones-1806**: born about 1816 in Pennsylvania, United States; died 20 July 1869 in Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, United States.

60. **Ozias Wells-1833**: born 15 May 1796 in Northampton, Fulton County, New York; married 18 March 1818 in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States; died 5 August 1832 in Princeton, Mercer, New Jersey, United States.

61. **Mary Kennedy-1834**: born 21 February 1799 in Halfmoon, Saratoga, New York, United States; died 23 March 1885 in Kalamo, Eaton, Michigan, United States.

62. **Lewis Crandall-1796**: born 19 August 1807 in New York; married about 1830; died about March 1852 in Van Buren, Iowa, United States.

63. **Almira Nafus-4939**: died before 1846.

## Generation 7

64. **James Crawford-219**: born 17 April 1772 in Virginia, British Colonial America; married 12 September 1799 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States; died 5 July 1854 in Preble, Ohio, United States.

65. **Sarah "Sally" Smith-1441**: born 25 February 1770 in Virginia, United States; died 2 May 1856 in Preble, Ohio, United States.

66. \_\_\_\_\_ **Smith-5399**: married.

67. **Hannah** \_\_\_\_\_ **-5398**: born 24 September 1790; died 10 May 1847 in Warren, Indiana, United States.



68. **Richard Foster-216**: born about 1 July 1779 in Maryland, United States; married 26 February 1801 in Frederick, Maryland, United States; died 7 June 1831 in Pike, Ohio, United States.
69. **Rachel Browning-217**: born 17 June 1780 in Maryland, United States; died 23 March 1858 in Pike, Ohio, United States.
70. **Dr. Edward Evert Ostrander-5427**: born 22 November 1769 in Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States; married 1796 in New York, New York, United States; died 24 May 1835 in Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States.
71. **Margaret Forbes-5428**: born 30 May 1772 in Rensselaer, Rensselaer, New York, United States; died 8 August 1824 in Green Township, Ohio.
72. **Jason Hammond-226**: born 1 February 1762 in Bolton, Tolland, Connecticut, United States; married 24 April 1788 in Glastonbury, Hartford, Connecticut, United States; died 21 September 1830 in Bath, Summit, Ohio, United States.
73. **Rachel Hale-227**: born 11 December 1758 in Glastonbury, Hartford, Connecticut, United States; died 11 November 1842 in Bath, Summit, Ohio, United States.
74. **Jonathan Fisk-225**: born 3 September 1780; married; died 9 April 1857 in New York, United States.
75. **Mary Arnold-7772**: born 1778 in New York, United States; died 24 October 1862 in Ontario Township, Knox, Illinois, United States.
76. **David Franklin Ralston-9086**: born 28 October 1785 in Ireland; married 1810 in Worthing, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania; died 28 March 1862 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States.
77. **Hannah Barr-9087**: born 21 July 1779; died 1 August 1861.

78. **James B McCormick-9772**: born 1785; married 1812; died 14 October 1839.

79. **Sarah Hall-10438**: born 1790; died 1844.

80. **Hiram Mirick Currey-1363**: born in England, United Kingdom; married.

81. **Sarah Reagan-1511**: died 2 December 1820 in Worthington, Franklin, Ohio, United States.

82. **Peter Harris-10846**: married 23 April 1801 in Henry, Kentucky, United States.

83. **Rachel Simonse VanArsdale-16331**.

84. **John Burke-10238**: born 1783 in James River, Tidewater County, Virginia; married in Virginia, United States; died 1842 in Jackson, Tennessee, United States.

85. **Elizabeth Graves-10304**: born 1786 in Halifax, Halifax, Virginia, United States; died 1831 in War Trace Creek, Jackson County, Tennessee.

86. **Eli Bland-581**: married; died in New Orleans, Orleans, Louisiana, United States.

87. **Sarah Susan Anderson-582**.

88. **Aaron Hutchinson-10396**: born 1767 in New London, New London, Connecticut, United States; died 22 May 1833 in Caledonia, Livingston, New York, United States.

89. **Hannah Nettleton-10397**: born 1764; died 21 February 1846 in Caledonia, Livingston, New York, United States.

90. **Whiting Merry-16337**: born 4 June 1781 in Kinderhook, Columbia, New York; married; died 26 May 1841 in Mumford, Monroe, New York, United States.

91. **Elizabeth Peabody-16340**: born 5 March 1783 in Maugerville, Sunbury, New Brunswick, Canada; died 12 March 1816.
92. **William Harding-10036**: born 16 June 1772; married 8 August 1793; died 1847 in Long Beach, New Brunswick.
93. **Elizabeth Flewelling-10037**: born 1772.
94. **Thomas Fowler-16345**: born 1785; died 1877.
96. **John Briles-2057**: born 27 October 1775; married 1795; died before November 1855 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.
97. **Nancy Ann Beckerdite-2058**: died before 1844 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.
98. **Noah Rush-2393**: born 9 January 1778 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States; married; died 6 May 1870 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.
99. **Sarah Clark-2402**: born 1790.
100. **John Thompson-4601**: born 4 March 1797 in Kentucky, United States; married 1 February 1820 in Ohio, Kentucky, United States; died 14 August 1857 in Adams, Iowa, United States.
101. **Sarah Iglehart-4600**: born 24 March 1800 in Maryland, United States; died 5 February 1877 in Adams, Iowa, United States.
102. **James Evans-8272**: born 1793 in Kentucky, United States; married 18 August 1818 in Warrick, Indiana, United States; died 30 November 1863 in Warrick, Indiana, United States.
103. **Sarah (Sally) Garret-8273**: born 1801; died 2 October 1871.

104. **Edward Ricketts-2746**: born about 1787 in Pennsylvania, United States; married 1 November 1810 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States; died 8 September 1838 in Rush, Indiana, United States.
105. **Sarah Story-2747**: born 28 December 1789 in Bryant, Franklin, Kentucky, United States; died 3 August 1854 in Rush, Indiana, United States.
106. **John C. Reed-5748**: born 1800 in New York, New York, United States; married 9 December 1822 in Jennings, Indiana, United States; died 18 August 1864 in Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee, United States.
107. **Mary Buckles-5749**: born 6 December 1792 in Shepardstown, Berkely County, Virginia (now West Virginia); died 14 February 1867 in Berlin, Clinton County, Indiana.
108. **Ebenezer Christy-13075**: born 1784 in Virginia, United States; died 1837 in Fayette, Ohio, United States.
109. **Rachel Elizabeth Dawson-13076**: born 1803; died 1881.
110. **Isom Gallimore-8849**: born 1799 in North Carolina, United States; married; died 3 March 1859.
111. **Judith Bentley-8850**.
112. **Phillip Andre Mentzer-6243**: born about 1751; married 8 July 1792 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, United States; died 1801 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, United States.
113. **Isabella Motes-6244**.
114. **Oliver Miles-1699**: born 27 September 1772 in Concord, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States; married 27 January 1796 in Leominster, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States; died 12 December 1855.

115. **Sarah Joslin-1700.**

116. **Adam Minick-6634.**

117. **Esther Elisabetha Schiedel-16364:** born 1801; died 1888.

118. **Henry Jones-16365:** born 1785; died 1826.

119. **Catherine Bovey-16366:** born 1786; died 1842.

120. **Green Wells-4795:** born 24 September 1764 in Rhode Island, United States; married 11 February 1789 in Hadley, Hampshire, Massachusetts, United States; died 13 December 1845 in Barre, Orleans County, New York.

121. **Abigail White-4813:** born 24 September 1770 in Hadley, Hampshire, Massachusetts, United States; died 30 July 1852 in Barre, Orleans County, New York.

122. **John Kennedy-4796:** born 1 February 1767 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut, British Colonial America; married; died 28 August 1831 in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States.

123. **Anna Barnes-4842:** born 28 April 1775 in Williamstown; died 17 February 1820 in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States.

124. **Hampton Lillibridge Crandall-4934:** born 1778 in RI or CT; married about 1805 in prob Genesee County, New York; died 1 January 1863 in Bentonsport, Van Buren, Iowa, United States.

125. **Freelove Butler-4935:** born about 1780 in prob CT; died after 1840 in Bentonsport, Van Buren, Iowa, United States.

126. **William S. Nafus-9248:** born 1774 in England, United Kingdom; married; died 1852 in Seneca, Ohio, United States.

127. **Salome Carpenter-16368**: born 22 November 1775; died 20 April 1837 in near McCutchenville, Seneca County, Ohio.

## Generation 8

128. \_\_\_\_\_ **Crawford-10951**.

129. **Mary** \_\_\_\_\_ **-1413**: born about 1750; died before 1826 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States.

136. **Rev. John Foster-218**: born about 1735 in Prince George's, Maryland, United States; married between 1758 and 1759; died 1 January 1800 in Ross, Ohio, United States.

137. **Elizabeth Lewis-347**: born about 1738; died 1780.

138. **Jeremiah Browning-13754**: born 1744 in Brooke, West Virginia, United States; died 1834 in Brooke, West Virginia, United States.

139. **Cassandra Farmer-13755**: born 1745 in Maryland, British America; died September 1831 in Virginia, United States.

140. **Hermanus Ostrander-13081**: born 22 June 1729 in Kingston, Ulster, New York Colony, British Colonial America; married 25 December 1751 in Shawangunk, Ulster, New York, British Colonial America; died 3 April 1802 in Wallkill, Ulster, New York, United States.

141. **Barbara Terwilliger-13082**: born in Shawangunk, Ulster, New York, British Colonial America; died 29 November 1800.

142. **James Forbes-16321**.

143. **Ann Thomson-16322**.

144. **Nathaniel Hammond-228**: born 10 September 1733 in Bolton, Tolland, Connecticut, United States; married January 1760; died 10 December 1817 in Tolland, Tolland, Connecticut, United States.

145. **Dorothy Tucker-229**: born 1740; died 21 December 1775 in Bolton, Tolland, Connecticut, United States.

146. **Theodore Hale-230**: born 26 January 1735 in Glastonbury, Hartford, Connecticut, United States; married 23 February 1758; died 24 May 1807.

147. **Rachel Talcott-231**.

148. **Jonathan Fiske-19357**: born 13 August 1738 in Cumberland, Providence, Rhode Island, British Colonial America; died 1816.

149. **Barbara Brown-19358**: born 1743 in Smithfield, Providence, Rhode Island, British Colonial America; died.

152. **John Ralston-9099**: born 1751 in Renfrewshire, Scotland; married 1777 in County Tyrone, Ulster, Ireland; died 1802 in Ireland.

153. **Ann \_\_\_\_\_-9100**: born 19 May 1754 in Paisley, Renfrewshire, Scotland, United Kingdom; died 24 December 1830 in Slate Lick, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States.

154. **James Barr-16326**: born about 1743 in Pennsylvania, United States; died.

155. **Martha CUNNINGHAM-16327**: born about 1748 in Pennsylvania, United States; died.

156. **John McCormick-10447**: born 1750; married 1784 in Pennsylvania, United States; died 1828.

157. **Elizabeth McMillan-10448**: born 1752; died 1822.

158. **David Hall-11416**: born before 1780.

159. **Jane Jackson-11417**.

160. **Thomas Currey-5177**: born in England, United Kingdom.

161. **Phebe Sample-16328**.

164. **Daniel Harris-16329**: born 1737 in Virginia, United States; married about 1761; died 7 May 1821 in Allensville, Switzerland, Indiana, United States.

165. **Elizabeth Demarest-16330**: born 13 May 1739 in Hackensack, Bergen, New Jersey, United States; died 1799.

166. **Major Simon Gerrit VanArsdale-16332**: born 11 November 1750 in Harlingen, Somerset, New Jersey, United States; married 1780; died 2 June 1820 in Jefferson, Indiana Territory, United States.

167. **Rachel Banta-16333**: born 9 December 1751; died 1831.

168. **Doctor William Samuel Burke-19500**: born ca 1749 +/- 3 in Yorkshire, England, United Kingdom; died 29 February 1832 in The Range ( now known as Cumberland Bay ) New Brunswick Canada.

169. **Elizabeth Nevers-19501**: born 25 November 1767 in Sunbury, New Brunswick, Canada; died 7 October 1842.

170. **Easom Graves-10305**: born 1764; died 1843.

171. **Judith Parrott-10306**: born 1766; died 1840.

172. **Osborn Bland-8235**: married.



173. **Lettice Hambrick-9045**: born 1752 in Stafford, Virginia, United States; died 1820 in Cumberland, Kentucky, United States.

176. **Asa Hutchinson-10403**.

177. **Mercy Bill-10404**.

178. **George Nettleton-16336**.

180. **Ebenezer Merry-16338**: born 27 March 1748; died 1809.

181. **Sarah Whiting-16339**: born 1750; died 1822.

182. **Stephen Peabody-16341**: born 1753; married 1 February 1781; died 1838.

183. **Elizabeth Clark-16342**: born 1 November 1760 in Rochester, Monroe, New York, United States; died 8 July 1816 in Scottsville, Monroe, New York, United States.

184. **William Harding-10057**: born 1745; died 1818.

185. **Leah Gillies-10058**: born 1747; died 1825.

186. **Abel Flewelling-16343**: born 1746; died 1814.

187. **Abigail Fowler-16344**: born 1752; died 1833.

188. **Daniel Fowler-16346**: born 1751; died 1813.

189. **Johanna Woolsey-16347**: born 1757; died 1836.

192. **Frederick Briles-2061**: born about 1740 in Orange, Orange, Virginia, United States; died in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.

193. **Mary Goodrich-16348**: born 1750; died 1788.

194. **Richard Gilmer Beckerdite-2706**: born about 1754.

195. **Mary Wright-16311**: born 1758 in Middletown, Frederick, Maryland, British Colonial America; died 1830 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.

196. **Benjamin Crawford Rush-2360**: born 10 April 1752 in Culpeper, Culpeper, Virginia, United States; married 12 January 1772 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States; died after 23 July 1819 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States.

197. **Dorcas Earkes Vickory-2390**: born 25 November 1755.

198. **Captain John Clark-16349**: born 1759; died 1816.

199. **Mary Spencer-16350**: born 1759; died 1817.

202. **Jacob Iglehart-7458**: born 30 March 1774 in Prince George's, Maryland, United States; married 24 January 1798; died 9 May 1856 in Ohio, United States.

203. **Ann Beall-10474**: born about 1777 in Anne Arundel, Maryland, United States.

206. **John Garret-16353**: born 1776; married 1 February 1804 in North Carolina, United States; died 1870.

207. **Barbara Ingold-16354**: born 1782; died 1870.

208. **John Ricketts-2799**: born about 1765 in Westmoreland City, Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, United States; married about 1785 in Pennsylvania, United States; died about 1848 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States.

209. **Mary Ann Polly Smith-2811**: born about 1762 in Pennsylvania, United States; died after 1830.

210. **James Story-5080**: born 9 July 1755 in Stanton, Virginia; died about 1826 in Kentucky, United States.

211. **Sarah Lee Jenkins-15713**: born 1755 in Wellington, Shropshire, England; died 1827 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States.

212. **John Reed-6766**.

213. **Agnes \_\_\_\_\_-16355**: born 1749; died.

214. **James Buckles-6782**: born about 1770 in Shepardsville, Jefferson County, West Virginia; married 3 February 1789 in Berkeley County, Virginia (now West Virginia); died before 16 March 1837 in Jennings, Indiana, United States.

215. **Ann Osbourn-6808**: died before 17 September 1823 in Jennings, Indiana, United States.

216. **Samuel Christy-16294**: born 1730; died 1804.

217. **Sarah Campbell-16356**: born 1744; died 1804.

218. **Thomas Benoni Dawson-16357**: born 1761; died 1832.

219. **Anna Barbara Kopp-16358**: born 1761; died 1826.

220. **William Gallimore-8861**: born 5 November 1776 in North Carolina, United States; married 15 November 1798 in Guilford, North Carolina, United States; died 6 November 1856 in Bloomington, Clinton, Ohio, United States.

221. **Mary Stanley-12156**: born 1780; died 28 October 1840 in Clinton, Ohio, United States.

222. **Benoni (Benjamin) Bentley-16359**: born 1775; died 1848.

223. **Rebecca Pearson-16360**: born 1777; died 1816.

228. **Oliver Miles-4570**.

229. **Martha Stone-16361**: born 1741; died 1813.

230. **John Joslin-16362**: born 1735; died 1810.

231. **Susannah Carter-16363**: born 1739; died 1776.

232. **Johannes Christian Minich-20116**: born 8 August 1757 in Pine Grove, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, USA; died 27 April 1823 in Pine Grove, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, USA.

233. **Maria Christina Senderik-20117**: born 23 January 1763 in Pine Grove, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, United States; died 1 December 1832 in Pine Grove, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, United States.

234. **Johann Martin Schiedel-16369**: born 1770; died 1846.

235. **Rosina Dorothea Jung-16370**: born 1772; died 1825.

236. **Robert Jones-20115**: born 1763 in Pennsylvania, United States; died.

238. **Michael Bovey-16373**: born 1743; died 1805.

239. **Veronica Barbara Rauhauser-16374**: born 1753; died 1824.

240. **Nathaniel Wells-4802**: born 12 February 1737 in Washington, Rhode Island, United States; married 9 March 1758 in Hopkinton, Washington, Rhode Island, United States; died 1804 in Saratoga, New York, United States.

241. **Mary Thurston-4803**: born 27 August 1737; buried in Northampton, Fulton County, New York.

242. **Oliver White-4825**: born 28 June 1724 in Hadley, Hampshire, Massachusetts, United States; married 18 January 1755; died 28 June 1789 in Hadley, Hampshire, Massachusetts, United States.

243. **Abigail Selden-4826**: born 10 September 1727.

244. **David Kennedy-5408**: born 6 July 1730 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut Colony, British Colonial America; married 10 January 1759 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut, British Colonial America.

245. **Mary Margaret Campbell-16375**: born 19 August 1734 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut, British Colonial America; died 1781.

246. **Comfort Barnes II-16376**: born 1737; died 1816.

247. **Hannah Cowee-16377**: born 1741; died 1819.

248. **John Crandall-16391**: born about 1750 in New York, United States; died.

249. **Amy Lillibridge-16390**: born 1740 in Hopkinton, Washington, Rhode Island, United States; died.

250. **Zephaniah Butler-16379**: born 1749; died 1816.

251. **Sarah Kilby-16380**: born 1755; died 1823.

252. **Cornelius Nafus-16381**: born 1750; married; died 1817.

253. **Jane Skelton-16382**: born 15 March 1755 in Bucks, Pennsylvania, United States; died 1790.

# Bath Township in Ohio

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I'm sure my readers have used county histories. However, have you ever found a comprehensive history of a township and its early settlers in a newspaper? That's exactly what I found when looking for articles about Jason Hammond in the newspapers. Not only is this an extensive history of Hammondsburgh or Bath, Ohio but also gives quite a bit of background information about Jason Hammond and his family.



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*Bath Township*

*An Interesting Review of Its Organization*

*It was one of the First Colonies on the  
Western Reserve and was Known as  
Hammondsburg — Bits of History in  
Connection with Its Growth and  
Prosperity.*

*To the Editor*

*Not long since I read in an Akron paper, a complimentary notice of Hon.  
Charles O. Hale, that, so far as he is concerned I am pleased with it, but  
there are some statements in it in regard to the early settlement of Bath  
which I will beg leave to rise to explain.*

*As the early history of the Western Reserve is being investigated, it may be proper for one born in Bath, in 1819, and seeing and hearing and being a part of tis history up to 1852, to speak a little from the lips of he departed, and from his own observation or experiences, of those early days. The early history of any part of the Western Reserve is of interest to many, so with the charity of all, I will give a little sketch of the first bona fida settlement in Bath an the causes that led to it.*

*Many years ago some sketches were made by Gen. Bierce, that from some cause, contained mistakes or fictions that seem to have grown to facts before the public. Perhaps from want of due notice from the most interested parties who had then passed to other scenes, but now no apology is needed and I will give some of the leading ones so far as I know or understand them. Jason Hammond, of Bolton, Conn., was the founder of Bath colony. His oldest son, Theodore, was the agent in starting the enterprise and the first settler in the colony. Owen Brown, of Hudson, gave Bath its present name. But permit a little of the first history of the Hammond family in America. In 1836 Thomas Hammond came from England and settled finally in Newton Mass. From this family have descended many good and worthy sons and daughters of this republic; no son perhaps more worthy than Jason the founder of the Bath colony. He was the eldest son of Nathaniel Hammond whose father was the first settler and the proprietor of said Bolton township in common. Nathaniel inherited his estate and was able to give to each of 11 sons a good farm and to each of five daughters a handsome dowery.*

*Jason, born in 1762, was very enterprising and extended his business to milling, to merchandising in east Hartford and to shipping to the West Indies. Fortune seemed to favor him and he obtained a partner to share in his growing business.*

#### *After Some Prosperous Years*

*He suffered a protracted sickness, and his partner took advantage of this evil time and sold out the store and assets and decamped to parts*

*unknown. This was indeed a severe blow, and besides his loss, involved him in a debt of \$75,000. That misfortunes never come single was proven again. But he was a man of resolution and resources. After a time he was able to meet all his obligations, and have a modest fortune left.*

*He had now a family of three sons, Theodore, Lewis, Horatio, and two daughters, Rachel and Mary, to provide for. Theodore thought, with the changed circumstances, the loss of schooling, in helping in his father's trials, the prospect uninviting to him, in common and as speculators in the Western Reserve lands were inviting settlement he concluded he would try his fortune in the far west, and so told his father. Then it was the custom to have the children reside as near home as possible, and his parents did not want him to go. It was so far away, he must go quite empty handed, on account of the changed conditions of the family. All their other children growing around them, at the poor prospects for all income they, themselves, then being towards 50 years of age, concluded that it would be better for all to go and the family would be kept together. Several commission speculators had invested in Western lands among them were Messrs. Williams, Lloyd, Ellsworth, Battle, and Bull, and with the last named a change of property was made. Mr. Bull's tract was in what is now known as Bath township, and commencing at the northeast corner of the township, extending seven (7) tiers of lots west, and three (3) tiers south, containing twenty-one (21) lots of 150 acres each, more or less. A bargain was made for about 1,200 acres of this land, and to be completed on sight of the land, Mr. Hammond having the first choice. NO definite writings could be made, until the land was selected and described. In the mean time other questions were being considered. For a family to go alone so far away into the great wilderness of the "wild west" was thought a too daring and dangerous an undertaking. So other parties were solicited to join with it and make a little colony for society's mutual protection. This was the start of the Bath colony. Among those solicited was Jonathan Hale, whose older sister was the wife of Jason Hammond, also Elijah Hale, whose wife was a younger sister. So it was thought to be better for themselves and the future of their families to meet with the*



*Hammonds and "go west," too. Jonathan found that he could bargain for 150 acres of the Bull tract and have the second choice and to be selected, too, in sight of the land and before completion of the bargain. TO make the different selections and prepare homes for the families, Theodore and Jonathan were to go before the others. So Theodore with a wagon and yoke of oxen, with a horse in the lead started on the eighth day of June, 1810, for the west and just three days before his majority Jonathan Hale followed on the 12th day after with a wagon and span of horses. He expected to overtake Theodore and both came together. They took different routes, however, and each came through alone. Mr. Hale traveled faster with his horse and arrived on the Bull tract on the 14th of July, following. But as he could do nothing, until after Theodore came, and hearing that he was delayed by injury to his oxen, Mr. Hale returned to meet him, and both came out to the promised land together July 25, 1810.*

*Theodore, forthwith examined the Bull tract and made choice of the third tier of lots from the north line, or the south tier of the Bull tract and enough from another to make his compliment of about 100 acres. On the east lot of his choice he found a log house built by a squatter named Gates, who afterward settled on what is now the Howe farm, just east of this lot, in another township. Theodore was given immediate possession for his father's family and himself. He being of age and single, he became the first bona fide settler on lands first bought for settlement in what is now known as Bath township in Summit county, O.*

*Jonathan Hale having the second choice selected the east lot in the second tier from the north to the Bull tract, or just north of the Hammond east lot and where the venerable brick house now stands. As the east lots on both the second and third tiers had some rich bottom lands, some squatters had*

*Made a Little Settlement*

*on them and the only thing of th kind on the BUll tract, and without much regard to lines. The best house in it was claimed by one Miller, so it is not strange that when Mr. Hale and he saw each other on the road that Mr. Miller should expect Mr. Hale to go right to his house, when he (Hale) came to the settlement. In this house Jonathan Hale wrote his first letter home to his wife, then in Connecticut, and dated it "Hammondsburgh, July 30, 1810, just after he had made his fifth choice. In this letter he says "the land here is much better than I expected. The farm that I shal have of 150 acres is full equal to our garden, and Mr. Hammond's is still better, if possible. There are five or six parties and I have*

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*made considerable improvements, I now live with Capt. Abraham Miller in the best house in Hammondsburgh, etc. Mr. Hale himself gave the settlement this name, and in honor of his brother-in-law who was the leading man and founder of the new colony. It was kindly meant no doubt as the names of men are often given to places or institutions they seek to aid though not expected here. The country generally around had been known as "Wheatfield," but after this the settlement was now both east and west as Hammondsburgh. About 1815 the name of Bath was given tot he new township.*

*Before closing his bargain for the 150 acres, Uncle Jonathan found he could make an exchange for more lots on the uplands west of him. He took them, and they, with the first 150 acres, were all put together in the same deed. This deed was dated Sept. 8, 1810. This date, together with his remark in the letter to his wife about the land that I shall have show, clearly , that no completed sale and choice of lands was made before going to Ohio, as had been claimed.*

*In September, later than the date of this deed, all the Hammond and Hale families started in horse wagons from Connecticut and came on together, arriving in the first part of November following, and living 49 days on the road. Theodore was 48 days coming, but Jonathan came in 32 days.*

*Jonathan now, for the first time, became a settled man in the colony. Young Hammed had been settled more than three months before. 'Tis true, no doubt that Uncle Jonathan*

### *Was First on the Ground*

*But he could not settle, or "light," for he had no place to settle on and could not have, until the first choice had been made. Then he could e no better off, as a "setter" so long as his family and home were in Connecticut and as all the families came together, they were equally first settlers with Jonathan.*

*Theodore had added a new log house to the old one, and the family found at once, a home. They were log houses, but they were homes. the long weary journey, from bright homes, ended in a new world, to them. They found great forests standing where the harvests were to grow, and at once commenced to make improvements. Dangers from wild beasts and wilder men and insidious diseases met them on every side. What a change from the safety and comforts and society of a good New England home! Little does the present generation know or think or perhaps care about the dangers, labors and sacrifices of the pioneer settlers, to prepare the way for the bright homes of the Reserve to-day, and the blessings about them. Yet these pilgrims did not hang their harps upon the willows, but made the wilderness cheerful with their songs, and with a trust in a Divinity, that wisely shapes our course even in darkness, they made conquests over nature and themselves. They turned the forests into blooming fields and their hearts to ne praises to Him who can save and bless in all lands. The heads of these families were strict Presbyterians and their faith as firm as the hills from which they came. But here they had no house in which to worship God only one of his own building under the stars. Neither had these sheep any shepherd. Yet they could mingle their songs and prayers in the several homes, on the Sabbath; could read from volumes of sermons truly orthodox, which they were sure to bring with them. Books were few and papers, blanks. The Bible and hymn book,*

*some church history, lives of the martyrs and the Spectator, with the sermon volumes made a precious library, on which the dust never settled.*

*From the want of newspapers they were mainly shut out of the world. Yet the mail gave them a little view of a narrow world. There were no telegraph nor telephone wires to give quick intelligence. No photograph albums were displayed on their center tables, nor diamonds in their hair, but an abundance of roses on their cheeks.*

*From their labors and the lands they had an abundance, but the markets were distant and the prices generally low, so but little was realized for cash expenses and for the taxes, the latter the burden of the year.*

*I should have observed before some of the people just found there, and others coming to that region, often joined in the religious exercises of the first settlers.*

*In a few years Calvin Hammond, brother of Jason, came from Vermont with his family, and joined the colony. He brought a wife and mother, three vigorous young sons, Emis, Ward and Royal, and a noble daughter, Lucinda. Calvin bought lands of Jason and settled near what is now called "Hammond's Corners," which in many years after, was sold to George Kirk.*

*Uncle Hale was a good musician. He taught at times, singing schools in some of the towns about. While he was making the country glad in song and enjoying the considerable improvements around the best house in Hammondsburgh, the other sturdy men were making the wilderness blossom by opening their farms and making the roads and bridges, as they had greater*

*Need of Public Improvements*

*Their wives and daughters not only did the daily duties of the household (thus solving the hired girl question) but also, spun wool and flax, and wove the cloth, and then made the garments for both the men and themselves. There was no shoddy then. The garments were always in style. Later a calico dress at 50 cents a yard was more prized and better preserved than the silk of to-day.*

*When the maple trees yielded their sweets the mothers, generally, finished the production for the coming year.*

*As the harvests increased, barns were erected to store the crops, and protect their growing stock, through the winter. The weather was mild on the bottom lands, the stock often survived the winters with little care.*

*As the years went by their hearts were made glad in the widening circle of new faces and friends that came to share in the labors and hopes of the new promised land.*

*In about 1818 a new township was organized and Owen Brown of Hudson, the father of the immortal John Brown, had been appointed commissioner to look after new townships and give them names. He came to consult the people, hoping they might unite on the selection of a name. Some thought the name of the colony a good one for the new township and a just compliment to Mr. Hammond and family, as the founder of the colony, which promoted the settlement of the township. Others objected to it simply from its length and wanted a shorter one, but Uncle Jonathan was a little out of sorts at that time, is reported to have said in derision about his favorite sneer that "he did not care what they called it. they might call it*

*Jerusalem or Jerico or Bath*

*anything but Hammondburgh," not his being or expecting it to be called by either of these names.*

*Mr. Brown finding they could not agree, concluded tht if they wanted a short name Bath would suit as well as any and having the authority to do so, gave the township its present name of Bath. This writer not only heard the matter talked over in the early families, but in one vacation, while a student in college at Hudson, he lived in Mr. Brown's family and assisted him in his harvests, thus having an opportunity to learn from Mr. Brown, himself something of the facts in this case. The facts and not mistakes and ficitons. I suppose, are wanted in history, though they don't always get there.*

*To encourage a growing religious society and settlement of the township, Ezekial Williams, a Connecticut land speculator, owning lands t the center of the township, gave several acres there, on which to erect a meeting house, also for a cemetery.*

*On this land a log meeting house was built by the church people. I would like to speak of many good men and women, in early Bath, and of interesting and amusing events of the times, but now I must confine this article mainly to Jason Hammond and his family, who, thus far, seem to have escaped a biographer, but now something may be permitted for his-*

### *Column 3*

*torian. In fact to leave out this family in the early history of Bath would be like playing "Hamlet" without "Hamlet," or giving the history of the European settlement in America, to leave out Columbus, and make a world's fair celebration in honor of the sailor, who first saw the land from the lookout of the ship.*

*From the first, Jason and his family were leading spirits in all good and important enterprises in that section. Their home soon became a center of influence, and as time passed an extended acquaintance on the Reserve enjoyed their hospitality and friendship. A benevolent and enterprising spirit made them seek the public good, and as they held the larger landed interests, they thus advanced their own good, and in a laudable way, too.*

*The church and schools they helped organize, and with their faithful care they sought to make and enlarge both, and promote peace, education and righteousness. They looked beyond their town and aided the early college enterprise at Hudson. They also helped to educate a bright western young man in Yale college, who, in after years, became an honored president of Illinois college. in this benevolence want went smiling from their door, and as they had learned the diseases of the country and the remedies, they were welcomed to the bedside of the sick and the suffering, and they wept with the mourners for the loved and lost.*

*When his sons left home he divided his lands between them. To Theodore he gave the western part, to Lewis the eastern, or homestead and to Horatio the middle portion. He also gave ample gifts to his daughters, besides doing well for Josiah Fowler, a young man brought up in the family. He lived to a good old age. And now the good founder of the Bath settlement sleeps in peace and in honor, not with his fathers, but under the Ohio sky.*

*The history of Bath, for nearly 50 years, would mainly be the history, or biography, of the Hammonds residing there, and Theodore and Lewis became leading men among them. When there was an increasing demand for lands in the west settlement, Theodore became the agent of several eastern land men, for the sale of these lands in Bath. He labored with efficiency to bring settlers and capital into the township. he was one of the three commissioners of Medina county for several years, when Bath was in that county. He was also one of the agents of the government in loading to the people the surplus revenue, in President Jackson's time, although he was a Whig, as, in fact, most residents in the township then were. At different times he held the different office of the township for many years.*

*This is a case where all the positions he held in church or township or county or under the government, sought the man, for he never sought the office.*

*Integrity and efficiency characterized all his acts in public trusts as well as in his private business. To promote settlement at Hammond's corners he offered an acre out of his orchard to any party that would erect a building for a store on it. Two young carpenters, by the name of Nathan Jones and Painter Wilson, accepted the offer and put up the building that, I suppose, stands there today. Afterwards, Horatio and Royal Hammond filled the store with a stock of goods and went into business there. He also gave the land for a new school house and helped build the house. Before this there was a split white wood log school house standing on the corner north from the store lot. It made, within, a fine white clean appearance and was a nice place for the early times in which it was built. I must speak of some of the teachers there. Mrs. Fanny Carter, Roxana Jones, Royal Hammond, Morris Brown and others taught there. In the new house Selma Jones and Miss Stone and Miss Abbott, the latter an Oberlin student and Misses Branch, Clark an Hammond the last two from Richfield and later Peter Voris and others. All taught there. Mr. Hammond was all the time on the board of directors while he lived there and his aim was always to have a high grade of teachers.*

*When some of the children needed still more advanced teachers, he thought it much better for the place, and economy, too, to bring the teachers there than to send the children abroad, so he started*

### *The first Select School*

*there and employed a Mr. Smith, a theological student from Oberlin to teach it. It proved to be one of the best schools, perhaps, that Bath ever had. In a later time, Rev. Lewis F. Lane, pastor of the center church, was induced to open a select school, at the corners which was a success and a blessing, long to be remembered by his pupils. And new churches, Sunday and singing schools and books and papers were brought to Bath until the wilderness of 30 years before had become a blazing human growth of beauty, harmony and intelligence.*



*The growth of the church warranted an effort for a new and better house, than the old log structure. Mr. Hammond was appointed to see to its construction. This he undertook with his usual vigor, and in a reasonable time, saw its completion.*

*As the country became more settled there was greater need to utilize the water power in the township. On this stream, further down over the township were better mill sites and more power, and these Hammonds encouraged certain parties to improve them and backed the enterprise, hoping to increase business and capital make nearer and better markets for abundant crops and greater prosperity to all the country around, as well as better prices for lands and brighter hopes to an industrious people. A large flouring mill was erected and other mills built that did much and promised more for the country around. This was along in 180. For several years all seemed to be going well, but, by and by, a crash came, from some unfortunate management and before the backers could well realize it, they found themselves heavily involved. They bravely and honorably met it. Theodore sold his old farm, on which he had spent the best of his life improving and turned the funds over and met all obligations. In his older age, with a large family and limited means he moved to Illinois in 1847, and on the wide prairie started anew.*

*His brother Lewis, five years his junior, and young Fowler, soon became famous, as athletes in all the field sports of the times. His brother Lewis took the responsibility of settling up the entire failure out of the wrecked mill property and otherwise and made ample return for what Theodore had advanced above his part. In his great labors exposures to meet all obligation save a competence for his family, he sank down in the prime of his usefulness and passed away.*

*Thus, one of the bravest and noblest spirits of Bath went to a higher reward and night and darkness was left to unnumbered friends, who wept for theirs and the world's loss.*

*Thus passed two of the best and most useful men that Bath has seen.*

*“Let honors be given to him honors are due,  
And justice and peace will smile on the true.”*

*I cannot close this article without a kind notice of Uncle Jonathan Hale and his heirs. In the home in which he first settled eh was long faithful. When his sons had grown to manly years, the new mansion was erected, which good and noble mothers honored, and ot whom the credit is mainly due for the good and honorable standing their sons and daughters are enjoying now. May their usefulness and honors increase as the yers of our good couplings go by.*

*Aug. Hammond*

*Hot Springs, Ark, April 26, 1897*

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# Purple Heart

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 22, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, PURPLE HEART

## PFC Bernard Otto Schultejeans



PFC  
BENNY SCHULTEJEANS  
AUG. 25, 1924 - DEC. 26, 1944

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### PFC Bernard Otto Schultejeans

**BIRTH** 25 Aug 1924  
Kelly, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

**DEATH** 26 Dec 1944 (aged 20)  
Luxembourg


**BURIAL** [Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial](#)  
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Bernard Schultejeans  
Private First Class, U.S. Army  
328th Infantry Regiment, 26th Infantry Division  
Entered the Service from: Kansas  
Died: 26-Dec-44  
Buried at: Plot B Row 8 Grave 27  
Luxembourg American Cemetery  
Luxembourg City, Luxembourg  
Awards: Purple Heart

Bernard Schultejeans (37742449), Private First Class, is listed as Killed In Action in the 1946 Army and Army Air Forces Personnel Casualty List for Nemaha County, Kansas.

*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*8 Jan 1945*

” ***A Kelly Soldier Killed in Action  
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***in Luxembourg, Dec. 26***

*Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Schultejans received word Sunday from War Department that their second son, Pfc. Bernard Schultejans, was killed Dec. 26 in Luxembourg. He had been overseas only a few months and according to recent mail received from him, in action a little more than a month.*

*Bernard was 20 or 21 and had been in the army about six months. He took his basic graining at Camp Fannin, Texas, and spent a few days furlough with home folks before going overseas. He served in the infantry of the Third Army and wrote his friend, Rev. Father Placidus from the front that activity was plenty hot.*

*Besides his parents, Bernard is survived by brothers, Theodore, Edwin, Albert and Clarence and two sisters, Bernardine of the home and Annie, employed at the Axtell hospital.*

*Plans are being made for a memorial mass to be held at St. Bede's church, Kelly, Monday Jan. 15 at 10 o'clock. The many friends of the Schultejans family extend sincere sympathy in their bereavement.*

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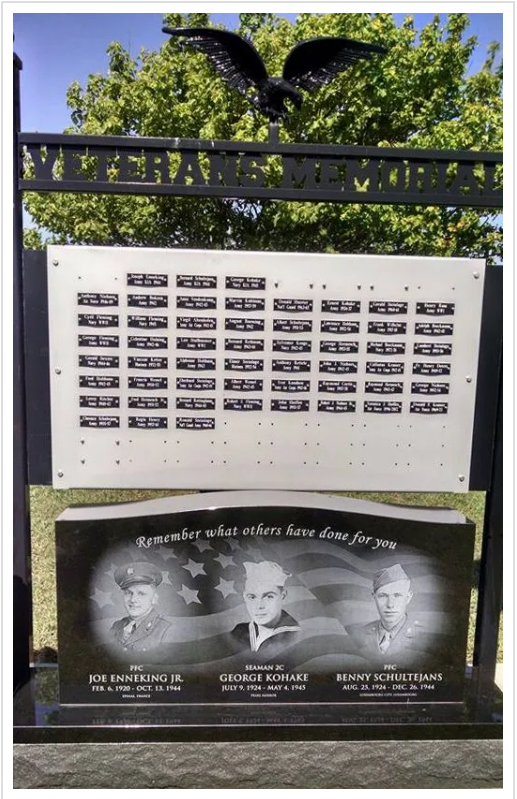
***Honor Memory of  
A Kelly Soldier******Requiem Mass Monday  
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*St. Bede's church has two gold stars on its service flag in memory of soldiers who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country. The first honored Joseph Enneking and the second Bernard Schultejans.*

*A requiem mass for Pfc. Schultejans, 20, was held at ten o'clock Monday morning in St. Bede's church. The young man lost his life in action in Luxembourg, December 26, 1944. The pastor, Rev. Father Placidus Keiffer said the mass and delivered the sermon. The flag draped bier rested before the altar. St. Aloysius Sodality of the Kelly parish and Seneca Council 1769, Knights of Columbus, attended the service in a body in respect for their former member.*

*At the close of the mass a military service was conducted by the members of the Earle W. Taylor Post of the American Legion. Jack R. Houston commanded a four gun salute and S-Sgt. James M. Minor and Pvt. Albert A. Wessel, served as color bearers. Edward R. Levick, Legionnaire, acted on behalf of the United States government, presenting the American flag to Bernard's parents. Sammy Armstrong blew taps.*

*Bernard O. Schultejans was born August 25th, 1924 at the family home one-half mile south of Kelly. He was inducted into service May 4, 1944 and received his training at Camp Hood, Texas. The young man was home on furlough in September and went overseas in October. In letters to his parents previous to his death he spoke of having been in France and on German soil but gave his life in Luxembourg. His parents, two sisters, Bernadine and Anna and four brothers, Theodore, Edwin, Albert and Clarence survive.*



# Hammond Tombstone

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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Have you ever encountered two old tombstones in a county for the same name? If so, how did you decide which tombstone was for your relative? I never would have imagined that a 1999 newspaper article would identify the 1830 tombstone of Jason Hammond in Bath Township, Ohio. However, this article does just that.



*The Akron Beacon Journal (Akron, Ohio)*

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*By Laura Haferd (Beacon Journal staff writer)*

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# Western Reserve Deed

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 24, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: HAMMOND, OHIO

Have you ever run across a family story repeated over and over in various publications that is just ‘begging’ for proof that it is true? Well, my Hammond line has one of those stories. It is the story of Jason Hammond’s purchase of land in the Connecticut Western Reserve.

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*The township was owned by several proprietors in Connecticut, among whom were Ezekiel Williams and Thomas Bull, of Hartford. In the Bull tract, Jason Hammond had first choice, and Jonathan Hale second.*

**PERRIN, WILLIAM HENRY, EDITOR. HISTORY OF SUMMIT COUNTY WITH AN OUTLINE SKETCH OF OHIO. CHICAGO: BSKIN & BATTEY, HISTORICAL PUBLISHERS, 1881, PAGE 619, AVAILABLE ON ARCHIVE.ORG.**

Thanks to FamilySearch’s new United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search, I was able to find the deed from Thomas Bull to Jason Hammond!

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Jason Dan	Northampton District	1813	Justice of Peace
Jason Hammond	State of Ohio	1813	Justice of the Peace
Hammond	Northampton	1813	Signer
Theodore Hammond	Palmyra	1910	Recorder
Rachel Rachel Hammond	Connecticut	1873	Justice

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**Portage Deed index v. F-H 1795-1917**

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Jason	Marie	1837	
Jason Hammond	Shalersville	1859	
Hammond	Northampton	1900	
E. W. H. L. Dollars	Charleston	1922	
W. Killebrew	OHIO	1885	

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Persons	Places	Years	Occupations
Jason	Parsons	1810	Justice Peace
James Hammond	State of Massachusetts	1810	Attorney
Jason Hammond	State of Connecticut	1810	Deputy
Hammond	Plumas	1901	Recorder
Jacob Hammond	County of Suffolk	1810	Justice of Peace

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Curry et al. maker of the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to the his free act deed Elisha Colt Justice of Peace and recorded November 7th 1910 William Wetmore Recorder Transcribed July 17 1901 A W Jones Recorder by Mabel A Rogers Deputy

Thomas Bull

## ” Portage County Ohio Deed Records, 1795-1881

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Thomas Bull

To all people to whom these presents shall come  
Greeting: Know ye that we Thomas Bull &  
Lucinda Bull his wife both of Hartford in the  
County of Hartford & State of Connecticut for the  
consideration of Two thousand seven hundred  
and fifty Dollars received to my full satisfaction of Jason Hammond  
of East Hartford in the County & State aforesaid do give grant bargain  
sell and confirm unto the said Jason Hammond and to his heirs and  
assigns eleven hundred acres of land lying in the State of Ohio in the  
County of Portage west of the Cuyahuga River in Township No three in  
the twelveth range of the Connecticut Western Reserve so called being

*lots No thirty, twenty nine, twenty eight, twenty seven, twenty six, twenty five, twenty four containing One thousand & fifty Acres and fifty acres to be taken off the south side of lot number fourteen the described premises being part of the quantity of Land set out to said Thomas Bull in the allotment and partition of said township as will appear by reference to the Records*

*To have and to hold the above granted and bargained premises with the appurtenances thereof unto him the said Jacob Hammond and to his heirs and assigns forever to his and their own proper use and behoof. and also I the said Thomas Bull do for my self and my heirs executors and administrators covenant with the said Jason Hammond & his heirs and assigns that at and until the ensealing of these presents I am will seized of the premises as a good indefeasable Estate in fee simple and have good right to bargain and sell the same in manner & form as is above written and that the same is free of all incumbrances whatsoever And furthermore I the said Thomas Bull do by these presents bind myself and my heirs forever to warrant and defend the above granted & bargained premises to him the said Jason Hammond and his heirs and assigns against all claims and demands whatsoever In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the 8th day of September Anno Domini 1810*

*Thomas Bull (L.S.)*

*Lucinda Bull (L.S.)*

*Signed, sealed & delivered*

*in presence of*

*Ruth Bull*

*Elisha Colt*

*State of Connecticut*

*Hartford County*

*Hartford September 8 1810 Personally appeared*

*Thomas Bull & Lucinda Bull wife of said Thomas*

*signers and sealers of the foregoin instrument and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed before me the said Lucinda*

*having been examined separate and aprt from her said husband*

*Elisha Colt Justice of Peace*

*Received and recorded November 7th 1810 William Wetmore Recorder*

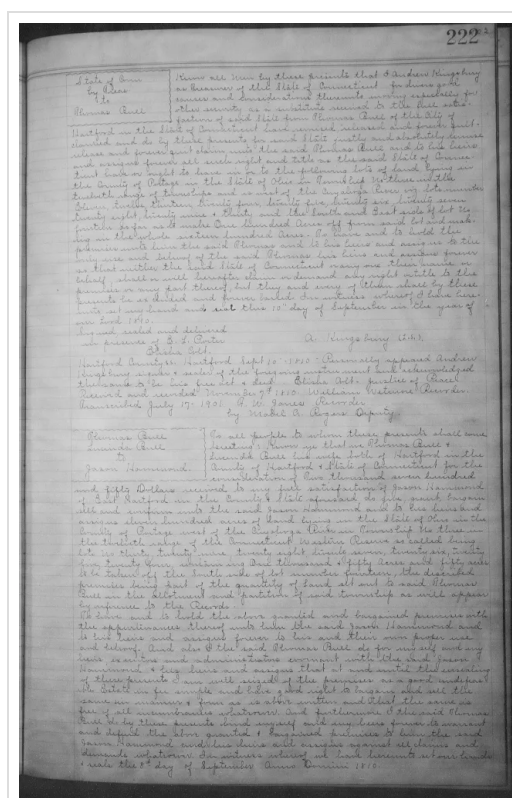
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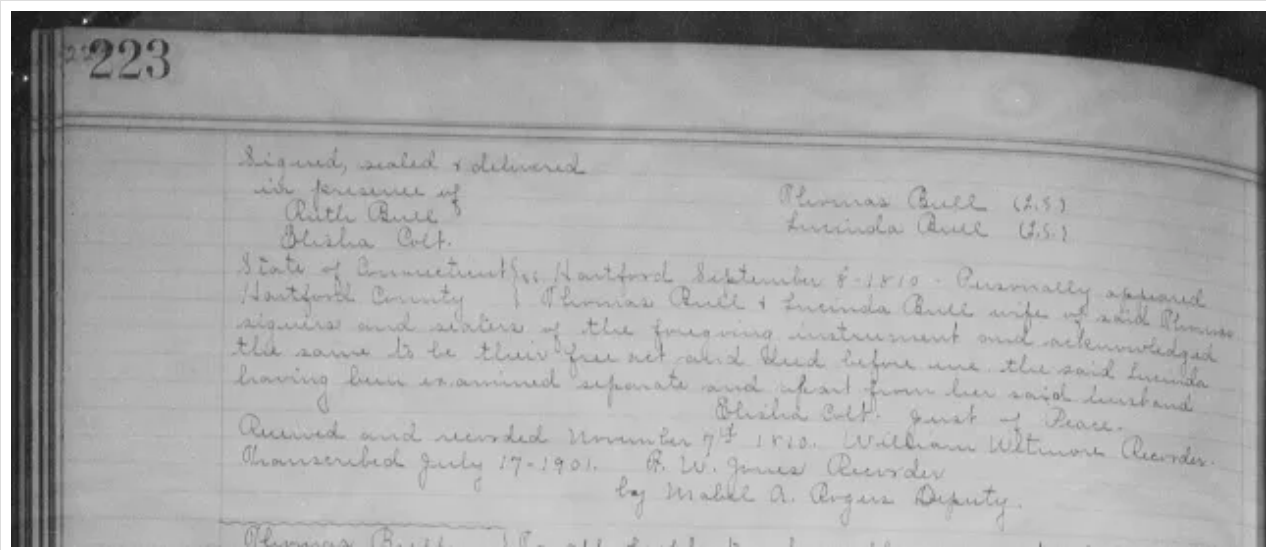
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**JASON HAMMOND, 8 SEP 1810; VOL. A: PAGE 222-223; DIGITIZED IMAGES,**

**FAMILYSEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE 27 JULY 2023.**







Jonathan Hales' deed follows the Jason Hammond deed.

# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 25, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: HAMMOND

In trying to update my FISK research, I came across a reference to Louisa Fisk Hammond's obituary in my files.

” *Hammond — Mrs. Louisa died August 17, 1874 in Ontario, aged 68 years, wife of Horatio Hammond. Rev. Abernathy of Altona officiated. Some of the children in Iowa were detained by sickness so all did not meet at funeral. The 4th next April would have been 50th wedding anniversary. Their children were already making arrangements for gala affairs. She did praying to her heavenly father. She was buried by her mother in Ontario cemetary. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond came early pioneers from Hartford, Co.. to Ohio. Tuesday, six years ago they arrived here where since resided. They have been members of the Congregational church for 41 years.*

*Galesburg Republican*

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**ALLAMAN, DURWOOD B. OBITUARIES: KNOX COUNTY, GALESBURG, ILLINOIS  
NEWSPAPERS 1853-1897. GALESBURG, IL: KNOX COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY. ,  
1985.**

Hammond-Mrs. Louisa died August 17, 1874 in Ontario, aged 68 years, wife of Horatio Hammond. Rev. Abernethy of Altona officiated. Some of the children in Iowa were detained by sickness so all did not meet at funeral. The 14th next April would have been 50th wedding anniversary. Their children were already making arrangements for gala affair. She did praying to her heavenly father. She was buried by her mother in Ontario cemetery. Mr. & Mrs. Hammond came early pioneers from Hartford, Co.. to Ohio. Tuesday, six years ago they arrived here where since resided. They have been members of the Congregational church for 41 years.

Galesburg Republican

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This obituary contains a key statement that is helping to verify that the Mary Fisk shown in the 1860 census in Knox County, Illinois is likely Louisa's mother.

”

*She was buried by her mother in Ontario cemetery.*

There is a memorial for Mary Arnold Fisk buried in Ontario cemetery.




Photo added by CPLawson

## Mary Arnold Fisk

**BIRTH** 1778  
New York, USA

**DEATH** 24 Oct 1862 (aged 83-84)  
Knox County, Illinois, USA

**BURIAL** [Ontario Cemetery](#)  
Ontario, Knox County, Illinois, USA [Show Map](#)

**MEMORIAL ID** 244693956 · [View Source](#)

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**Inscription**  
Wife of Johnathan Fisk

Unfortunately, the Find a Grave memorials for Louisa and Mary do not have GPS coordinates.

# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 26, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

Continued from August 19, 2023

- 1200 Howard Lawson Frans Co
- 1201 Clyde Samuel Kooser Sa
- 1202 Huber Powers Sewell Go
- 1203 Arthur M. Carpenter Go
- 1204 James Worth Tolin Go
- 1205 Thomas Patrick Graney Se
- 1206 Leland Daniel Strahm Sa
- 1207 Donald E. Cordon Go
- 1208 Glenn Albert Feldman Sa
- 1209 Clarence Warren Feek Sa
- 1210 Clyde Boggs Go
- 1211 Edwin Charles Porter Sa
- 1212 Leroy Edward Ruse Sa
- 1213 Albert Bernard Tanking Se
- 1214 Clarence E. Schmits Sa
- 1215 Cleon Joseph Morgan Se
- 1216 Albert Nicholas Wiltz Se
- 1217 Albert L. W. Rogers Se
- 1218 Floyd Albert Cox Sa
- 1219 Charles Joseph Carroll Ax
- 1220 Henry LaVerne Duryea Se
- 1221 Henry Alvin Simmons Ce
- 1222 John Milford Sherbon Ce
- 1223 Ralph Walter Sherbon Ce
- 1224 Raymond Aloysius Lierz Ba

1225 John I. Rottinghaus Se  
1226 Arthur Calvin Clark sa  
1227 Raymond Peter Hammes Ce  
1228 Vincent Mathias Schmitz Ba  
1229 George Harold Richard Go  
1230 Edwin B. Ronnebaum Onei  
1231 Lincoln Alanson Jones Go  
1232 Charley M. Frey, Jr. Sa  
1233 Lyle Allen Spring Be  
1234 Gilbert C. Ridgeway Se  
1235 Neal Kenneth Stalder Sa  
1236 Richard T. Rilinger Ba  
1237 George Earl Byrne Ce  
1238 Louis Bonifas Grollmes Se  
1239 Charley L. Pittenger Jr Go  
1240 Morris Molineux Co  
1241 Edwin Henry Wietharn Ba  
1242 Louie W. Meyer Onei  
1243 Albertus E. Wassenberg Se  
1244 Vincent Benedict Henry Se  
1245 Butler B. Hedrick Go  
1246 Aubrey Wilson Kerl Se  
1247 Dale A Brock Go  
1248 Lewis Albert Carpenter Ce  
1249 Leonard Morris Talley Ce  
1250 Pat Gardner McKibben Ce

*To be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 27, 2023

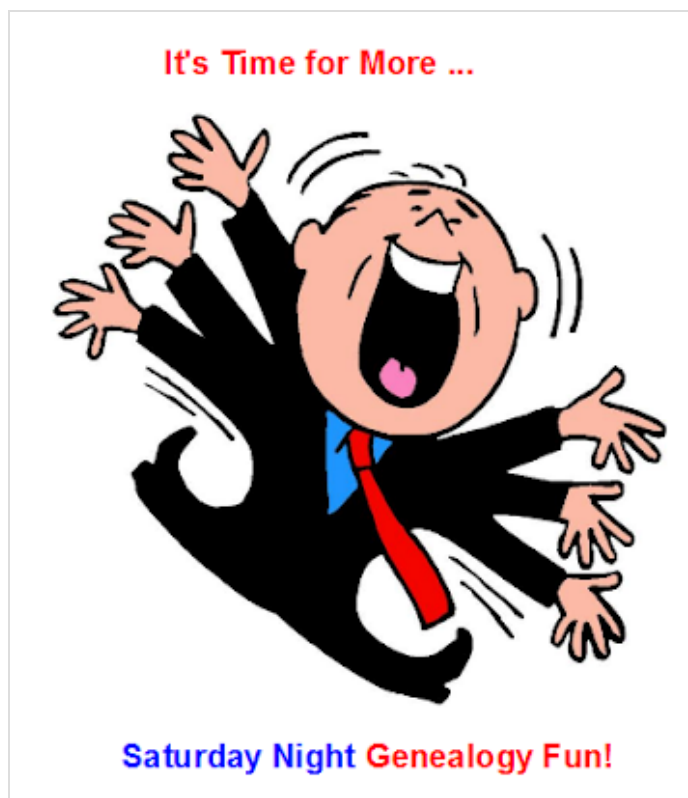
/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy  
Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you  
decide to accept it (you ARE reading this,  
so I assume that you really want to play  
along – cue the Mission Impossible  
music!):**



**1) Did you follow a research trail down a genealogy rabbit hole this week? Tell us about it.**

Ha! Ha! Did I ever!

I was supposed to be researching my McCormick ancestors in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania. However, a couple of weeks ago, I discovered that there is not 'master' list of Purple Heart recipients. Thus, I started going thru the newspapers to compile a list. While I'm not done, I have discovered quite a few Nemaha County recipients. (Purple Hearts).



As a volunteer for the Nemaha County Historical Society, I not only created the Purple Heart page, but updated a website that I created a long time ago to provide links to the wide variety of historical and genealogical resources available. (See: [Nemaha County KS History and Genealogy](#))

Knowing that the Veterans' Day 1946 issue of the local paper (Courier Tribune) had an article detailing all of the Nemaha Countians who had died during WWII, I decided to start blogging about them on Tuesdays. I've published two such blogs (Joseph Enneking and Bernard Schultejan). This past week, I was working on the blog for this coming Tuesday, where I planned to highlight Dorothy Swart Tatum.

I've been using the Veterans' Day article and obituaries to create these posts. When I tried to find the obituary for Dorothy Tatum in the local paper, I could not read the first half of the obituary. Since this part of the obituary highlighted her military career, I started looking elsewhere for information. And this search was the 'start' of my journey down a 'rabbit hole'. Even though Dorothy was born in Nemaha county and is buried in Nemaha county, I found a wealth of articles about her military career in TEXAS newspapers. The more I found, the more interesting her story, and the deeper I got in that rabbit hole.

Since Dorothy's parents had moved to Oakley, Kansas, I decided to check to see whether their local library had digitized their newspapers. And thankfully, they had. Thus, I was able to go deeper down my 'rabbit hole' to not only find an obituary but also some letters Dorothy wrote to her parents. Because of the wealth of newspaper articles I found, Dorothy's post for Tuesday, August 29th, mushroomed into four posts that will appear starting Tuesday.

So, please come back on Tuesday to start reading about Dorothy Swart Tatum!

# Jason Hammond

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 28, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CONNECTICUT, HAMMOND, OHIO

**Jason Hammond** was born on 1 Feb 1762 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

He was baptized on 28 Feb 1762 in Bolton, Tolland, Connecticut, United States.

He served in the military Private in Captain Coon's Company, Col. J. Well's Regiment Connecticut Line in 1779.

Jason served in the military as a Private in Capt. Benj Dunkees Co. of "Matrosses" on 24 Aug 1782 in Connecticut, United States.

He was the father of Theodore Hammond who was born on 11 May 1789 in Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut.

He was the father of Rachel Hammond who was born on 22 Jan 1791 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

Jason was the father of Lewis Hammond who was born on 22 Apr 1794 .

He was the father of Mary Hammond who was born on 12 Mar 1796 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

He was the father of Horatio Hammond who was born on 24 Oct 1798 in Connecticut.

Jason lived in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut in 1800.

He was named in Nathaniel Hammond's will in 1809 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

He and Jonathon Hale were pioneer settlers in 1810 in Bath, Summit, Ohio, United States.

Jason bought 1500 acres on land in Ohio from Thomas Bull, a shareholder of the Connecticut Land Company on 8 Sep 1810 in Portage, Ohio, United States.

He left Glastonbury, Hartford County, Connecticut with his family and the two Hale families on 15 Sep 1810.

On 5 Nov 1810, he arrived in Hammondsburg, Ohio.

Jason sold land to Sarah Hale, wife of Elijah Hale and their son Theodore on 23 Mar 1813 in Portage County, Ohio.

About 1815 he built a sawmill on the Yellow Creek in Medina County, Ohio.

He sold lot 25 containing 150 acres to son, Theodore Hammond, on 21 Sep 1815 in Portage County, Ohio.

Jason lived at Bath Township in Medina County, Ohio in 1820.

He sold land to Calvin Hammond in 1822 in Medina County, Ohio.

He died on 21 Sep 1830 at the age of 68 in Bath, Summit County, Ohio.

Jason was buried at Ira Cemetery in Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio.

He had his estate probated in Nov 1831 in Medina County, Ohio.




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## Jason Hammond


**BIRTH** 1 Feb 1762  
Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut, USA

**DEATH** 21 Sep 1830 (aged 68)  
Bath, Summit County, Ohio, USA

**BURIAL** [Ira Cemetery](#)  
Ira, Summit County, Ohio, USA [Show Map](#)

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JASON HAMMOND was born 1 February 1762 in Bolton, CT. He married Rachael Hale. He served in Captain Coon's Co. & Col. Wells' regiment, CT line. He died 21 September 1830. His tombstone inscription, "Jason Hammond, son of Nath Hammond Died Sept. 21, 1830 Rachel..." He has a second stone and an American Veteran marker. His markers are at the Ira Road cemetery near Hale Farm.

--Bio is from the DAR index

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# WWII Death

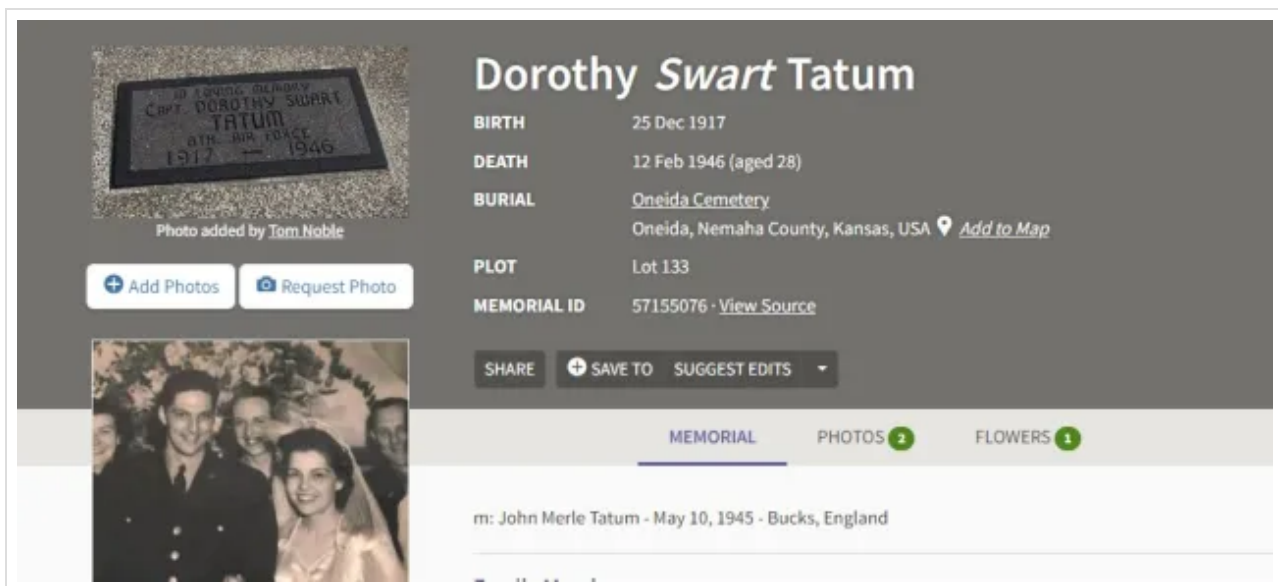
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 29, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, SWART, WORLD WAR II

## Dorothy L. Swart Tatum

Most would assume that anyone who died during World War II received an Purple Heart. However, that prestigious award was only given to those injured in battle. Thus, it was possible to die while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and not receive a Purple Heart.



Buried in the Oneida cemetery is one of those 'death non battle' individuals. Dorothy L. Swart Tatum's grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Swart. Dorothy was the daughter of George Swart who moved to Texas and then to Oakley, Kansas. While living in Texas, Dorothy volunteered for officer's training in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Texas newspapers provide a wealth of information about her service.

## **Donna Woman Will Get WAAC Training**

Donna — Miss Dorothy Swart of Donna and Elsa has been notified that she has been accepted for officers' training in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. She will report at San Antonio on August 10.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, Texas) – 26 July 1942*

## **Will Join WAAC**

Donna — Miss Dorothy Swart of Donna and Elsa will report in Aan Antonia August 10, having been accepted for officers' training in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

*Valley Morning Star (Harlingen, Texas) – 2 Aug 1942, page 16*

**Off to WAAC officer's training** today is Miss Dorothy Swart of Elsa, former Donna resident and one of two Valley women to try for membership in the Women's Auxiliary Air Corps. Miss Swart, employed by F. H. Valhsing Inc. at Elsa, will be sworn in Monday at San Antonio and from there will go to Fort Des Moines, Iowa, for officer's training. She was a corporal in the Weslaco women's defense corps and has about five hours solo flying to her credit.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, TX) – 9 Aug 1942, page 9*

## **Is Accepted by W.A.A.C.**

Miss Dorothy Swart, who arrived last week from Elsa, Texas to spend a short vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Swart, recently was accepted by the W.A.A.C. as a candidate for officers training and was sworn in at San Antonio, August 10. She is to report at Des Moines August 24 for duty.

For the past four years, Miss Swart has been doing secretarial work for F. H. Vahlsing Inc., a grower and shipper of fresh vegetables in the Rio Grande Valley. She reports that this company shipped over 5,000 cars of fresh vegetables from Texas the past season.

She also was a member of the Texas Women's Defense Corps, holding the rank of a Corporal. Each Valley city has organized the Corps for the purpose of learning first aid, motor mechanics, fire fighting, military drill and other duties which may be of aid in case of emergency.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 21 Aug 1942, page 1*

## **W.I.O.N. Community**

Miss Dorothy Swart, who is in training at Fort Des Moines, IA., in the W.A.A.C. as officers' candidate, received her commission last Saturday.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 9 Oct 1942, page 5*

## **W.I.O.N. Community**

Dorothy Swart, Third Officer of the W.A.A.C., who spent a few days at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart and other relatives on her way from Fort Des Moines, Ia., left last Thursday for her new destination, Daytona Beach, Fla.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 30 Oct 1942, page 10*

**3rd Officer Dorothy Swart**, of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, former resident of Oakley, is among the 500 officers and auxiliaries selected to activate the 2nd WAAC Training Center at Daytona Beach, Fla., which will receive its first recruits early next month. 3rd. O. Swart received her training at Fort Des Moines and was assigned to the Florida post on November 1. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart of Oakley.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 11 Dec 1942, page 8*

Donna — **Lieut. Dorothy Swart** of Elsa and Donna, the first Hidalgo county woman to join the W.A.A.C. has arrived in London.

*The Houston Post (Houston, TX) – 28 Feb 1943, page 45*

The **Lady Mayoress and the Lord Mayor of London** hand a luncheon invitation to two newly arrived WAACs, Lieut. Dorothy L. Swart of Elsa, Texas, and Capt. Zelma Hanson, right, of Los Angeles, during a brief leave from their bomber command duties.

*The San Antonio Light (San Antonio, TX) – 5 Mar 1943, page 10*

### **Canadian and Texan at Luncheon**

**Captain Riley** (initials and address unavailable), who led the first contingent of the Canadian women's army to arrive in England, and Second Officer **Dorothy L. Swart** of Elsa, Texas, first United States W.A.A.C. to be assigned to the European theater, are shown at a recent luncheon of women leaders of the United Nations war effort at the Mansion house, London. (AP Photo)

*The Houston Post (Houston, TX) – 7 Mar 1943, page 15*

**Texas WAAC Shows WAAF How** — Second Officer Dorothy L. Swart, right of Elsa, Tex., a WAAC officer stationed at the headquarters of the Eighth U.S. Bomber Command "Somewhere in England," teaches Section Officer Frances Ahalt, a WAAF married to an American Air Force captain, how to pitch horseshoes.

*San Angelo Standard-Times (San Angelo, TX) – 15 Apr 1943, page 9*

### **WAAC Officers in Britain to Prepare Large-Scale Force**

London, June 27 (AP) — Additional WAAC officers have arrived here to prepare for a large-scale U.S. feminine military force in Britain, it was learned today.

The first WAAC force sent overseas when tot North Africa in January.

It was also disclosed that the first two WAAC officers to arrive in Britain were Capt. Zelma Hansen of Los Angeles, and Lt. Dorothy Swart of Elsa, Tex.

*San Angelo Standard-Times – 28 Jun 1943, page 5*

## **Valley WAC on Foreign Duty Can Keep Secret**

### **Lt. Dorothy Swart**

By Ruth Cowan

London — Who says a woman can't keep a secret? two WACs proved it but almost landed in the guardhouse doing it.

At first, Capt. Selma Hansen, Los Angeles, and Lt. Dorothy Swart, Elsa, Tex. were very hush-hush when assigned to the European theatre of operations of the U.S. army, but now that a WAC battalion is in Britain they can come out into circulation.

They arrived some time back, under secret orders to report directly to Maj. Gen. Ira C. Eaker of the U.S. Eighth Air Force headquarters. They took the orders both seriously and literally. But when they arrived in Britain they found they did not know where the air force headquarters was.

They tried to find out through U.S. Army headquarters, but when they refused to show their orders no one there would help them. Army regulations are that military personnel coming into an area report to the adjutant general's office.

Col. Ralph Pusifer of the adjutant general's office knew that the WACs were expected. He told his assistant that there should be two WACs in town and they would just see how long it took the women to check in.

They waited and they waited.

Finally, Pusifier decided he had better go find the WACs. He ran into Captain Hansen just outside U.S. headquarters.

"Don't you know you are supposed to report to the adjutant general's office?" he asked.

"No, sir," she replied, "my orders were to report to General Eaker."

He finally persuaded her it would be okay for her to come in — in fact he ordered her to report to his office — and then helped the two secretive WACs on their way.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, TX) – 26 Jul 1943, page 2*

## **Valley WAC Becomes Communications Officer for British Fortress Base**

A U.S. Eighth Air Force Bomber Station, England — To WAC 1st Lt. Dorothy L. Swart of Elsa, Texas, goes the honor of being the first of the khaki-clad American girls to be stationed at an Eighth Air Force bomber base. Most of the WACs in England have been assigned to various

headquarters.

She is serving temporarily as a communications officer on this Flying Fortress station. A graduate of Wichita Business university and a former secretary for F. H. Vahlsing, Inc., shippers at Elsa, Lieutenant Swart volunteered for officers candidate school at Ft. Des Moines, Ia. in August, 1942. She was among the first WAC officers to arrive in this theater. She has completed a communications course here and has been in communications work throughout her service in the European theater of operations.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, TX) – 23 Sep 1943, page 1*

## Women in Service

Elsa — Lieut. Dorothy L. Swart of Elsa, who recently completed a communications training course in England, is now serving as communications officer to a Flying Fortress bomber station of the Eighth air force.

*The Houston Post (Houston, TX) – 3 Oct 1943, page 40*

**Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart received a telegram** from the British Broadcasting Corporation in New York City, that their daughter, Lt. Dorothy Swart, who is with the WACs in England, would be interviewed on the Mutual network last Saturday afternoon.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 25 Feb 1944, page 1*

Word was received from Dorothy Swart that she was **promoted to Captain**. Congratulations.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 7 April 1944, page 12*

## Picture of WAC Capt. Swart Received

This newspaper received a photograph from the Eighth Air Force Headquarters in England, showing WAC Capt. Dorothy Swart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Swart of Oakley as a spectator at the Eighth Air Force Championship swimming meet in England. Capt. Swart has been overseas since February 1943. She is a specialist in the communications section at Eighth Air Force headquarters and was one of the first two WAC's to arrive in the European

Theater of Operations. She is shown with Capt. John B. Trigg, of Great Falls, Mont., and WAC Capt. Mary P. Johnston of New York, N.Y., both of whom are stationed at the same headquarters as Capt. Swart.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 13 Oct 1944, page 1*

It seemed so early in September and October to be sending **Christmas packages** to our service sons and daughters but it seems many of them just reached their destination in time for Christmas. Capt. Dorothy Swart wrote her parents of buying a small Christmas tree and trying to decorate it a little with odd bits she could find but any how it added to the Christmas atmosphere. And of course we realize more of the boys than not were not able to have even a symbol of Christmas unless it was their packages.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 12 Jan 1945, page 8*

Capt. Dorothy Swart had the pleasure of having a nice visit with her cousin, **S/Sgt. Max Krummel** over in England recently. His wife lives at Belleville, Kans.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 20 April 1945, page 2*

## **News of the Men and Women in Uniform**

Captain Dorothy Swart and John M. Tatum were married May 10 in England. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Swart, Oakley, and has been in the WAC's nearly three years, overseas 27 months. The bridegroom is from Mississippi and is a civilian employ, a technician in a gunnery establishment. Details of the wedding have not been learned.

*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS) – 21 May 1945, page 1*

## **Valley WAC Becomes Bride in Formal English Rites**

Donna — Capt. Dorothy Lucille Swart, formerly of Donna and now serving with the WAC in England, had the distinction of receiving a toast from Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, at the reception following her wedding May 10 at All Saints Parish church at Buckinghamshire, England.



Captain Swart became the bride of John M. Tatum, overseas technical representative in the service department of the Sperry Gyroscope Co. of Brooklyn, N.Y. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Swart of Oakley, Kans., former residents of Donna and Elsa. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Tatum of Hattiesburg, Tenn.

#### Worked at Elsa

The bride is a graduate of Wichita Business university and before enlisting in the WACs in August of 1942 was secretary for F. H. Vahlsing Inc., at Elsa. Following service at Daytona Beach, Fla, she was one of the first two WACs to be assigned to overseas duty in February 1943. At present she is assistant operations officer at Eighth Air Force headquarters at Wycombe Abbey, one of England's most famous schools.

Rev. H. E. Float officiated at the wedding assisted by Col. Walter Dorre of Wichita Falls, chaplain of the Eighth Air Force. The bride wore a formal gown of heavy white satin made princess style with a corded neck line, long fitted sleeves and a train. Her veil fell from a tiara edged with tulle. Her arm bouquet was of calla lillies, white iris, carnations, lilies of the alley and orchids.

#### Reception Given

Capt. Mary Johnson of New York City was bridesmaid. She wore a floor length dress of accordion pleated blue crepe with sequin girdle and carried a bouquet of shaded sweetpeas and a cap of the same flowers on her head. Capt. Nicholas Beckman of Monahans, Texas, was the best man. Ushers were Maj. Robert Peterson of Ogden, Utah; Maj. Madison Veazey of Birmingham, Ala.; Capt. Roger Russell of Worcester, Mass, and Capt. Robert Golz of New Milford, Conn.

At the reception which followed, General Doolittle was in the receiving line and gave the toast to the bridal couple. Maj. Mary Dixon of Ithaca, N.J., Louise Bain of Danville, Ind. Lt Mary Helen Trealer of New York City assisted in serving the wedding cake and punch.

The newlyweds spent their honeymoon at Berkeley Square, London. The bridegroom later returned to the United States and the bride remained at her station with the WAC.

*The Monitor (Brownville, TX) – 17 Jun 1945, page 14*

Mr. and Mrs. Geo Swart received word from their daughter, Capt. Dorothy S. Tatum that she was at an embarkment center near Liverpool awaiting transportation to the U.S.A.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, Kansas), 20 July 1945, page 4*

### **Capt. Dorothy Swart arrived on Queen Mary**

WAC Capt. Dorothy Tatum, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart of Oakley arrived in New York on Aug. 2 on the Queen Mary along with 38 other WAC's. She was one of the first two WAC's in the ETO and returns now just short of 30 months overseas.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 10 Aug 1945, page 1*

Mrs. George Swart had the pleasure of talking to her daughter, **Capt. Dorothy Swart Tatum** Saturday evening when she called her from Brooklyn, New York, Where she was with her husband since landing August 2. She came over on the Queen Mary.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 17 August 1945, page 19*

Mr. and Mrs. George Swart received word from their daughter, **Captain Dorothy Tatum** that she has received her **discharge**. She is located at Brooklyn, N.Y., at present, where Mr. Tatum has employment.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) 21 Sept 1945, page 12*

### **Former Valley WAC Hospitalized in East**

Donna — Mrs. John M. Tatum formerly Dorothy Swart of Donna, is seriously ill in an Army hospital in New York, according to word reaching here.

The former Valley girl was on of the first two WAC officers assigned overseas duty and served as a captain with the Doolittle staff of the Eighth Air Force in England. She was given in marriage by General Doolittle last year in an English church. She is believed to have contracted her illness while overseas.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, TX) – 5 Feb 1946, page 3*

## **Former Donna Resident Dies**

Donna — Mrs. Dorothy Swart Tatum, 28, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Swart of Oakley, Kans., formerly of Donna, died Tuesday at the Mitchell Field hospital on Long Island, New York, after a four-month illness.

Her mother and a sister had been with her since November. Mrs. Tatum will be buried at Oneida, Kans.

Born in Seneca, Kans. on Christmas day, 1917, she came to Donna, in her early girlhood with her family, living here for many years. When her family returned to Kansas she remained to continue her work in the office of F. H. Vahlsing Co. of Elsa. A captain in the WAC, Mrs. Tatum spent two and one half years in England in the headquarters office of the 8th Air Corps working in an office about 40 feet below the ground. It is believed that she contracted her fatal illness at that time.

Mrs. Tatum's grandmother, Mrs. Louis Swart, is spending the winter here with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas P. Johnstone, on the Val Verde Road. Mrs. Roy Holley of Donna, Glenn Johnstone of Alamo and Clarence Johnstone of Elsa are her cousins.

*The Monitor (Brownsville, TX) – 15 Feb 1946, page 2*

## **Dorothy Swart Tatum Dies in New York**

Mrs. John M. Tatum, 28, passed away Tuesday afternoon Feb. 12, at station hospital, Mitchell Field, Long Island, N.Y. where she had been a patient since last October 25.

Dorothy Swart Tatum was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Swart of Oakley and received her honorable discharge from the WAC as a Captain in September, after three years service with two and one-half years overseas in England. She returned from England in August and was on terminal leave at the time of her death.

Funeral services and burial will be at Oneida, Kansas Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS) – 15 Feb 1946, page 1*

## **Deaths**

### **Mrs. Dorothy Swart Tatum**

Donna — Mrs. Dorothy Swart Tatum, 28, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Swart of Oakley, Kan., formerly of Donna, died Tuesday at the Mitchell Field Hospital on Long Island, N.Y., after four months illness.

Her mother and a sister have been with her husband at Great Neck, Long Island, since November. Mrs. Tatum will be buried in the family lot in Oneida, Kans.

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A captain in the WAC, Mrs. Tatum spent two and one-half years in England in the headquarters office of the Eighth Air Corps, working about 40 feet below the ground.

*Valley Morning Star — 16 Feb 1946, page 2*

### **Funeral for WAC Captain**

Full military honors were accorded a young woman Sunday afternoon at Oneida where the funeral of Mrs. Dorothy Swart Tatum, a WAC captain, was held. Mrs. Tatum died Tuesday in New York City.

Captain Tatum was in service more than three years in England and with the Eighth Air Force more than two years. She returned to the states late last summer and became ill while on terminal leave.

One of the largest crowds ever present at a funeral in this county attended and the floral tributes were exceptional.

Attending the funeral, as representative of her branch of service was Lt. Lucy Davis, attached to the Personal Affairs division of the Eighth Air Force, New York. John Stark, now a civilian, former major and commander of Captain Tatum's division in the Eighth Air Force in England during her service there, came from Denver to attend.

Rev. S M Finch, pastor of the Methodist church, Seneca, gave the sermon and a mixed quartet from the Oneida Methodist church, sang favorite hymns. Pallbearers were cousins, in uniform of the U.S Army: Robert Duncan, Lincoln, Neb., Max Krammel, Belleville, Kans., Donald, Lester and Everett Noble, Oneida, and Clarence Aeschliman, Seneca.

Earle W. Taylor Post, American Legion, Seneca, conducted the services at the cemetery. The American Flag was presented to Captain Tatum's mother, Mrs. George Swart, Oakley, Kan. This is believed the first time the local legion has served at a military service for a woman. Captain Tatum's husband, John Tatum, New York City; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Swart and family, Oakley, Kans., and Mr. Tatum's parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tatum and their son, Frank Tatum, Jr., Mississippi, were here to attend the service, also many other relatives and friends from this community and neighboring towns.

*Sabetha Herald (Sabetha, KS) – 20 Feb 1946, page 1*

# Newspapers for Military News

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 30, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, SWART, WWII

Do you ever feel like you are ‘going down a rabbit hole’ with your research? That’s what I feel like I’m doing with some of my research into some of the Purple Heart recipients in Nemaha County, Kansas. In this case, my ‘rabbit hole’ is not a Purple Heart recipient. Since 1946, Dorothy Swart Tatum has been honored as someone who gave her life serving her country.

My research started with the Seneca, Kansas newspapers. Unfortunately, her obituary is almost illegible in the digital copy of the newspaper. Thus, I turned to Newspapers.com where I found quite a few articles in Texas newspapers about Dorothy Swart. While only spanning a few years, Dorothy’s story is very interesting.

While I could have stopped with the Texas articles found on Newspapers.com, I wanted to learn more about Dorothy Swart and her service in the Women’s Army Air Corps.

Because the Texas newspapers were so informative, I looked to see what else I could find in newspapers.

- Seneca newspapers – digitized by the Seneca Free Public Library
- Newspapers.com
- Sabetha Herald – digitized by the Mary Cotton Public Library (Sabetha, KS)
- Geenalogy.bank
- Newspaper Archive

My original search was for the term, ‘Dorothy Swart’. While Dorothy was buried in Nemaha county, Kansas where her grandparents lived, her parents had moved to Oakley, Kansas. Thus, I used Kenneth Marks list of Kansas Online Historical Newspapers to find the Oakley

papers digitized by the Oakley Public Library. Searching those papers added even more to Dorothy's story.

Since Dorothy was married to John Tatum while serving in England, my husband suggested searching for his name, "John Tatum". This search turned up articles in Mississippi papers which added more to Dorothy's story, it also provided background about John Tatum. This background helps explain why John was working in England as a civilian during the war.

See the [August 29th post](#) for the Dorothy Swart Tatum findings.

While some of the news articles are repeated in multiple papers, this trek down a 'rabbit hole' has shown the benefits of researching all available newspapers.

## ***John Tatum findings in Mississippi***

### **John Merl Tatum Graduates from Vanderbilt**

John Merl Tatum is home from Vanderbilt university and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Tatum, 1002 West Pine street. He received his degree of Bachelor of Engineering from the school of engineering last week. This was the university's sixty-seventh commencement program.

John Merl was president of teh Ace club, a member of the Owl club, and represented his social fraternity, Kappa Sigma on the Pan Hellenic Council; he was grand master of the Kappa Sigma fraternity during his senior year at the University; president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. During his senior year, he was student instructor of electrical engineers.

Tatum was graduated from Hattiesburg high school.

*Hattiesburg American (Hattiesburg, Mississippi) – 16 Jun 1942, page 5*

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## Seen and Heard

John Tatum, who is employed in special work in England, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Tatum, 1002 west Pine street.

*Hattiesburg American – 28 May 1945, page 10*

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### Tatum-Swart Wedding takes Place in England

WAC Captain Dorothy L. Swart and John M. Tatum were married in High Wycomb, Bucks county, England at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 10 at the Church of England on the Thames. Gen. Jimmy Doolittle, officers and enlisted men of the VIII Air force attended.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Swart of Oakley, Kan., and Mr. Tatum is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Tatum of Hattiesburg.

They spent their honeymoon at the Mayfair in Berkeley Square, London.

*Hattiesburg American – 24 May 1945, page 4*

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### Mrs. John Tatum Dies in New York

Mrs. John Merl Tatum, captain in the Women's Army corps, died Tuesday afternoon at the Mitchell Field hospital, Mitchell field, Long Island, New York, according to word received here by members of the Tatum family.

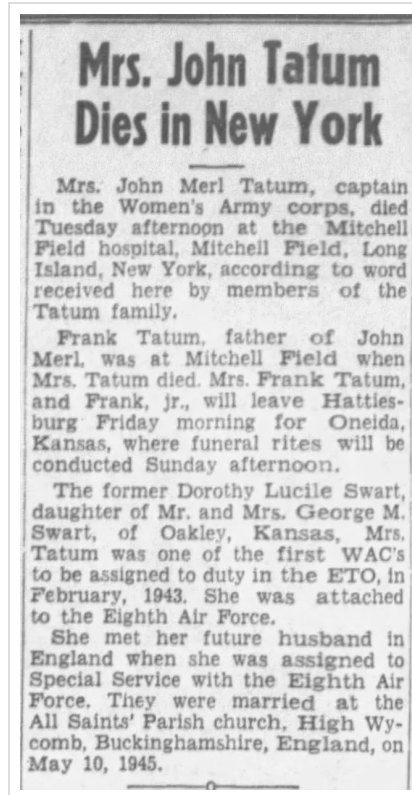
Frank Tatum, father of John Merl, was at Mitchell Field when Mrs. Tatum died. Mrs. Frank Tatum and Frank, jr., will leave Hattiesburg Friday morning for Oneida, Kansas, where the funeral rites will be conducted Sunday afternoon.

The former Dorothy Lucile Swart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. swart, of Oakley, Kansas. Mrs. Tatum was one of the first WACs to be assigned to duty in the ETO, in February, 1943. She was attached to the Eighth Air Force.



She met her future husband in England when she was assigned to Special Service with the Eighth Air Force. They were married at the All Saints' Parish church, High Wycomb, Buckinghamshire, England, on May 10, 1945.

*Hattiesburg American – 13 Feb 1946, page 14*



# WAAC Capt. Zelma Hanson

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ AUGUST 31, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, SWART, WWII

## From the Men in the Armed Forces

### Dorothy Swart in London

The following note was received by Geo. M. Swart of Oakley regarding a story which cleared through the Associated Press, February 15 and will be of interest to Miss Swart's many friends on this community.

2-17-43

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A. R. Shobaken

1516 East 50 Terrace

Kansas City, Mo

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She herself was in government service before enlisting into the Waacs, the Army Auxiliary, last July. Her husband is a government employe and she has two sons in the armed services.

With one of them she became the first mother to be sworn into the Army at the same time as her son.

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The husband, Clarence W. Hanson, is in the postoffice department at Los Angeles.

Also her brother, William Wyckoff, is in the Coast Guard at Wilmington, Calif., and her sister-in-law, Dorothy Hanson, is an Army Nurse some where overseas.

Capt. Hanson is a sister-in-law of A. R. Shobaken, Associated Press Traffic Chief at Kansas City.

She was accompanied here by a member of another two-ply service family. Lieut. Dorothy Swart, 25, daughter of G. M. Swart, an Oakley, Kans. wheat farmer. Her brother, an infantryman for two years, is now a cadet in the Air Corps training center at Santa Ana, Calif. She enlisted from Elsa, Tex., where she was a secretary for a vegetable firm.

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, Kansas) – 26 Feb 1943, page 15*

From The  
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# WAC Flies to Germany

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, SWART, WWII

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KSo*

*18 May 1945*

*page 16*

## From the Men in the Armed Forces

### Greeting from England

April 20

Dearest Mother and Daddy,

When Monty crossed the Rheine — he made history for th world. When I crossed the Rheine — I made history for Dorothy — and that history was made today. Just got home from a flight across the Channel, France, Belgium and into Germany — crossing the Mosel and Rheine Rivers.

Last night Major Starks called me and asked if I wanted to make a trip today. I said sure, but actually thought he was kidding until he said that a ship was going over to Frankfurt and had room for me.

We left our base about 1030 this morning, flew over London, out Dungeness, over the Channel, crossed into the continent at Cape Gris Nes, crossed the Belgium border, over Rouboix, Nivelles, Hurg, Maldenny, German border (at 1230 hours), over the Siegfried line, Mosel River, Rhine Rier, Weisbaden and landed near Frankfurt. Coming home we took off about 1600, circled over some of the badly bombed cities such as Frankfurt, Koblenz

(Coblens), Aachen and Lille, crossed over the continent at Boulogne, entered the English Coast at Dungeness over London and landed.

We flew in a B-17 so there was plenty of room to move about and really see from any direction that one desired. I rode most of the time in the nose so I could watch the navigator's maps and check the points that we were crossing. We flew at 2500 to 3000 ft so could easily see the general area ahead, and on both sides.



Points of interests were pointed out to me as we left the English Coast — first of all was to look back to the left and see the White Cliffs of Dover — sun was out so made an impressive sight. Next was to take notice of the bomb craters on the French Coast as we entered. Cape Gris Nes, Rouboix, noted for its silk mills, an old castle between Rouboix and Nivelles. Heavy forest areas all the way in Germany, the battle damage to all the buildings, houses, bridges, and railroads (seemed every building had lost its roof), the Siegfried Line which looked just like the picture — made of concrete, trenches which had been made in the shape of connected “V’s”, the change of the soil to red shale, noticed how hilly all the country was, huge yellow patches of mustard which stood out against the continuous varied shades of green, then that

all the buildings and homes had slate roofs, attention called to the fact that there was very little movement below, no traffic until near Frankfurt when we sighted a convoy.

We landed on an airfield which had been badly bombed by us and the R.A.F. The runways had been repaired but the field was full of craters, and all hangers and other building were practically roofless. We might have seen a German prisoner the night before as one brought down his PW 190 and they had it on inspection. Was very interesting to actually see one as have heard much about them. There were a couple more on the field in very bad shape. The airfield had once been an airport — the Municipal Airport — one of the finest in Germany. Bits of its finery still existed, such as open pavilion, the foundation of a pool complete with fixtures of sprays and lights (and now badly damaged) beautifully planned Control Tower (soda fountain fixtures were still in place but non-functioning at present)

We were allowed to look around the field for a couple hours before the plane was ready to return. It was very interesting to talk to the personnel now stationed there. They have learned a lot about the field, town and surrounding country in the short while they have been there. We inquired what the small silver pin was that most of the enlisted men had — found out it was a miniature Graf Zeppelin which was flown from the field. They gave us each a few. Most of the vehicles about were Army and G.I., but a few were the small little German unique and compact. It is a very small four-passenger and has its steering wheel in the left side which we all noticed (as the British cars all have its wheels on the right side).

On our return trip they circled Frankfurt and other towns to let us see the extent of the damage done to the various towns by our own bombers. We were all astonished and amazed — the damage was terrific. After we passed over Aachen, I got to ride in the co-pilot's seat for quite a while. We had some side wind and I found the B-17 a bit harder to hold on course than the little ships that I had been used to holding the stick and wheel on — but it was fun.

I don't think I have taken a day off and spent it as profitable as I did today. I shall never forget my first trip across the Channel, over France, Belgium and into Germany. When I look back not to think between 1030 and 1900, I had traveled over a thousand miles and seen as much as I did, I wonder if I am just awakening from a wonderful dream. We realized today the

length of some of the boys sorties — they penetrate much deeper, fly much higher, and get much colder — not mentioned the danger that they are over enemy territory and it wasn't long ago that most of the country over which we flew as in enemy hands.

As a souvenir of the trip, Major Stark gave me a picture of Hitler which he found lying outside of one of the billets. The glass had been broken, his face scarred and his eyes punched out — evidently some of the new inhabitants didn't have the same respect for him as the previous ones had. All the crew and passengers autographed the picture and I added it to my collection of ETO tokens.

I was sorry that Johnny couldn't make the trip with me as he had never been over either but had gone back to his work and couldn't get down for the day.

My Love,  
Dorothy Swart



# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from August 26, 2023*

- 1251 Floyd Nels Hanson Sa
- 1252 Alex Cyril Baumgartner Sa
- 1253 Louis Ferdinand Jerome Co
- 1254 Gehling John Huber Se
- 1255 Arnold James Miller Ce
- 1256 Raymond Lyle Levick Se
- 1257 Dale Dewitt Ridgway Se
- 1258 Robert L. Jenkins Ce
- 1259 Andrew Jackson Crane Se
- 1260 Jesse Clyde Giesel Be
- 1261 Robert Sidney Doak Se
- 1262 Cecil Augusts Nations Se
- 1263 Celestine F. B. Gudenkauf Se
- 1264 Gordon Alvis, Jr. se
- 1265 Rudolph Walter Huerter Se
- 1266 Vincent Monroe Abrams Ha
- 1267 Jack Eberly Noble Sa
- 1268 Vernie Campbell ` Sa
- 1269 Cletus John Bergman Ba
- 1270 Anthony M. Schmidt Ce
- 1271 Charles Richard Haug Ona
- 1272 Vernice L. Ronnebaum Se
- 1273 Thomas Mathias Teinen Sa
- 1274 Alvin Streit Se
- 1275 William Kenneth Most Se
- 1276 Harry Lyle Hittle Go

1277 Paul Ivan Wurzbacher Sa  
1278 Glen Winfield Mitchell Ce  
1279 Merle Edward Marti Be  
1280 John Otho Nebgen Be  
1281 George Stephen Moore Onei  
1282 Gale Melvin Jordan Sa  
1283 Orville Campbell Sa  
1284 Ralph William Herrmann Sa  
1285 Firman Joseph Koch Ve  
1286 Robert Brunner Elliott We  
1287 Callistus Jacob Kramer Go  
1288 Richard Harold Potter Se  
1289 Herbert M. Fuller Jr Se  
1290 Lawrence L. Lindeen Se  
1291 James Eugene Severn Ax  
1292 Joseph William Wardlow Se  
1293 Lloyd B. Nightingale Co  
1294 George William Guffy We  
1295 Lee Cochran Ce  
1296 Albert J. Kreutzman Ba  
1297 LeRoy Erwin George Se  
1298 Jonas Elmer Smith Ce  
1299 Jake Auron Lehman Sa  
1300 Arthur Louis Becker Se

*To be continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: MENTZER, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) Who is one of your most elusive ancestors? What research have you done to identify him or her? What research do you need to do?**

When I first read this prompt, I immediately thought of my ancestor, James Crawford. However, I cannot consider him 'elusive'. And his parents are unknown, not elusive.

So, I started thinking about other branches of my tree and thought of Phillip Andre Mentzer. I have solid research from my Mentzer grandmother back to my 3rd great grandfather, Phillip Andrew Mentzer. In addition, I have researched his descendants and have DNA matches on several lines descending from Phillip Andrew Mentzer and his wife Orinda Miles.

I believe Phillip Andrew Mentzer {LHKS-DYD} (1793-1845) is the son of Phillip Andre Mentzer and his wife Isabella. Unfortunately, about the only information I have on the older Phillip Mentzer is his marriage in 1792 in Boston's Hollis Street Church.

## RECORDS OF THE HOLLIS STREET CHURCH IN BOSTON

Melvil, Mary, diss. to church in Newport, Aug. 4, 1751.  
 Melvill, Mary, adm. Mar. 25, 1733.  
 Melvin, Fanny P., a. 33y., b. Saco, Me., d. Booth C. and Frances, and  
 E. Austin Paige, a. 41y., stockbroker, b. Boston, s. Enoch and  
 Eliza A., m. May 23, 1881.  
 Mentzer, Phillip Andrew, and Isabella Motes, m. July 8, 1792. [REDACTED]  
 Meriam, Adeline, d. Nathaniel, bp. May 10, 1812.  
 Meriam, Caroline, d. Nathaniel, bp. Mar. 31, 1799.  
 Meriam, Charles D., and Eliza F. Jackson, m. Nov. 3, 1836.

Even though I administer four different DNA tests with MENTZER ancestry, the ThruLines results only show lines thru Phillip and Orinda. No additional matches are shown for Phillipa and Isabella on ThruLines. Nor do any of the tests suggest a potential ancestor.

Since most of my research regarding Phillip and Isabella was done prior to the digitization of the county records, I haven't tried to find any deeds or probate records. However, while pondering this post and quickly searching to see what else I could find, I did locate a record that indicates Isabella was a widow when she married Phillip Mentzer.

LAST	Mentzer
FIRST	Philip Andre
SPOUSE	July 8, 1792 Isabella Penniman-Moots, dau of _____ Penniman and widow of John Motts
CHURCH	Hollis St.
TEXT	int. reads Philip Andre Manttzer. m at Hollis Street Church. (TR 30:351)
REFERENCE	wife Isabella Penniman is /
REFCODE	45429

Inhabitants and Estates of the Town of Boston, 1630-1822 (Thwing Collection), Mentzer, Philip Andre, 8 July 1792; database with images, American Ancestors (americanancestors.org : viewed online 2 September 2023).

Thus, I have a new surname for Isabella along with a first husband to research.

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**Phillip Andre Mentzer** was born about 1751.

He married Isabella Penniman on 8 Jul 1792 at Hollis Street Church in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

He died in 1801 at the age of 50 in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

He was buried in Westford, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

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# Arrives Home on Queen Mary

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, SWART, WWII

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, Kansas)*

*17 August 1945*

*page 16*

## Tells of Trip Home on “Queen Mary”

Brooklyn, New York

August 5, 1945

Dearest Mother, Daddy and All:

First, Mother I want to tell you how wonderful it was to hear your voice last night. It was so wonderful and natural — so sweet I'd known it anywhere. That I had looked forward to so much — to hear your voice again.

Now for less important details. We sailed from Greenock, Scotland on Saturday 28th. Had left Stone on Friday — boarded the Queen Mary about 5:30. From then until about 4:30 Saturday (when we started sailing) we were busy getting the troops settled, meals, beds and other details outlined for them. I was in charge of the four nurses who were at Stone with me, and the 38 enlisted WAC's. We had lots of fun together. The girls were all grand. The trip was exceptionally quiet. They reported only five cases of sickness and that was remarkable for 15,000 passengers. We had about 450 women on board (nurses and Red Cross also).

Our meal schedule was two meals a day. We girls were on “B” setting — breakfast at 0800 — dinner at 1800. Both meals were wonderful, short of nothing. We had plenty and it was always deliciously prepared.



At first they put the 4 nurses in one room and me in another — both rooms crowded. After sailing we found an empty room separating the last room occupied by girls. The Sgt. in the HQ's office was a good friend of mine by then so I asked him about letting the 4 nurses and myself moving in. He obeyed it. We had a luxuriously quartered trip. Only five in a room normally for nine. Every one was wonderful to us. Seemed they couldn't do enough for the girls. They had three rooms. They messed in small rooms even with G.I.'s. Opened up the room called the Nursery for their lounge where they could read, write, play cards, listen to music (phonograph furnished by special services). Every day at 1100 we'd have boat drill. First every one was alerted to the quarters. Fastened life belts on securely and then in formation, everyone moved to their boat stations (proper place upon deck — in case boat had to be evacuated, they'd load life boats from these stations). But really it was used for two reasons. While they were below they clean the upper decks and then while above they clean lower deck. The Queen is a beautiful boat. We were main deck — about 55 feet above water. Sun deck on top, promenade deck, then main, then A,B,C,D,E, and F decks — so we were nicely located about in the middle on Starboard side (right side, Port side is left). I was extremely busy all the way across getting all the official blanks filled out and the additional little jobs that cam up occasionally. I enjoyed it tremendously. Had never been in chart of girls before so was fun. We were to get in at 5:30 — had revielle at 3:30 Thursday morning. girls had breakfast at 4:25. WAC's were alerted to debark at 6:05 at first but later at 6:45 (when we did get off). Laureen woke up at 2:45 — woke the rest of us up as she saw the shore lights — was such a thrill. We dressed and were up on deck at 3:15. We stayed there until 4:15 when we sailed past the Statue of Liberty, what a sight. When we got in dock we all looked out our port holes — we were on the docking side (thank goodness). They had bands and all kinds of noises about. We were waiting to get off when a few W.A.C.'s came down to our cabin from shore — and who would be among them but Capt. Mona Voinche (one of the girls I lived with in Daytona). I'd written Ethel Sentilles to write Mona, Johnnie's address — she had called him, been able to help him know when I'd be in as she's in transportation. Was glad to see her. She said she'd call Johnny when she got back to work as he had to go to work. When already to debark I led the girls down the gangplank — first of all the passenger off the Queen.

Love for now,

Dorothy Swart Tatum



*Brooklyn Daily Eagle*

*2 Aug 1945*

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## **‘There Goes Brookly!’ Is 1st Cry as 24,956 Vets Dock on 10 Ships**

**Boro WAC Is No. 1 Ashore — Queen Mary Leads Returning Fleet**

The giant British liner Queen Mary slipped into the New York Harbor just before dawn today in the vanguard of ten ships carrying 24,956 soldiers home from Europe.

Fog and mist shrouded the Statue of Liberty and even the familiar New York skyline was barely visible. But to the liner’s jubilant cargo — 14,698 soldiers and WACs and 1,723 sailors — it didn’t matter much.

From 3:30 a.m., when the Mary was still in the Lower Bay, they clustered three or four to a porthole, lined decks and railings for the first glimpse of New York. And when the ship accompanied by two army “Welcome Home” boats, nosed into the North River pier, an ear-splitting crescendo greeted the WACs, Red Cross workers and reporters.

## **‘There Goes Brooklyn!’**

WACs came first in the debarkation process and the first one descended the gangplank to the cries of “There goes Brooklyn!”

She was Sgt. Georgeanna Snyder of 3154 Avenue W and soldier though she was, she confessed to ‘tears in her eyes and a lump in her throat.’

Wife of a sailor, Chief Boatswain’s Mate John Snyder, the sergeant has been in the army almost three years and in England for 18 months. She’s going to make her way to California as fast as possible to join John, who’s just been stationed there after one year in the Aleutians and two years in the Southwest Pacific.

## **Had Calm Voyage**

The Queen Mary, making her third trip to America since VE-Day with returning troops, had the “calmest of voyages,” according to Capt. Dallas D. Dennis, the troops transport commander.

“In fact,” he said, “it was all so nice and peaceful that we didn’t have even one fight aboard ship.”

He told reporters that the sailing was made in four days and 17 hours. Aboard the liner were units of the 8th Air Force, the 9th Air Force, a hospital group, 38 WACs and 36 Red Cross workers.

On either side of the vessel were strung 20-foot banners, proclaiming to all observers that the “Fighting 50th” Group, including the 10th 81st and 313th squadrons, were back.

## **Other Ships Arriving**

Other ships arriving today are the E. B Alexander, with 4,404 troops including 2,425 patients for Halloran General Hospital; the Hermitage, with 5,728 troops, the William Bradford, 15,

the Mack B. Ryan, 13; the California Express, 7; the Henry Lomb, 12; the Hydra, 15; the Marine Arrow, 34, and the Sarah Bache, 30.

Troops on the Hydra go to Camp Shanks, N.Y. Those on the Lomb to Fort Hamilton and the remainder to Camp Kilmer, N. J.

# Fan Charts

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

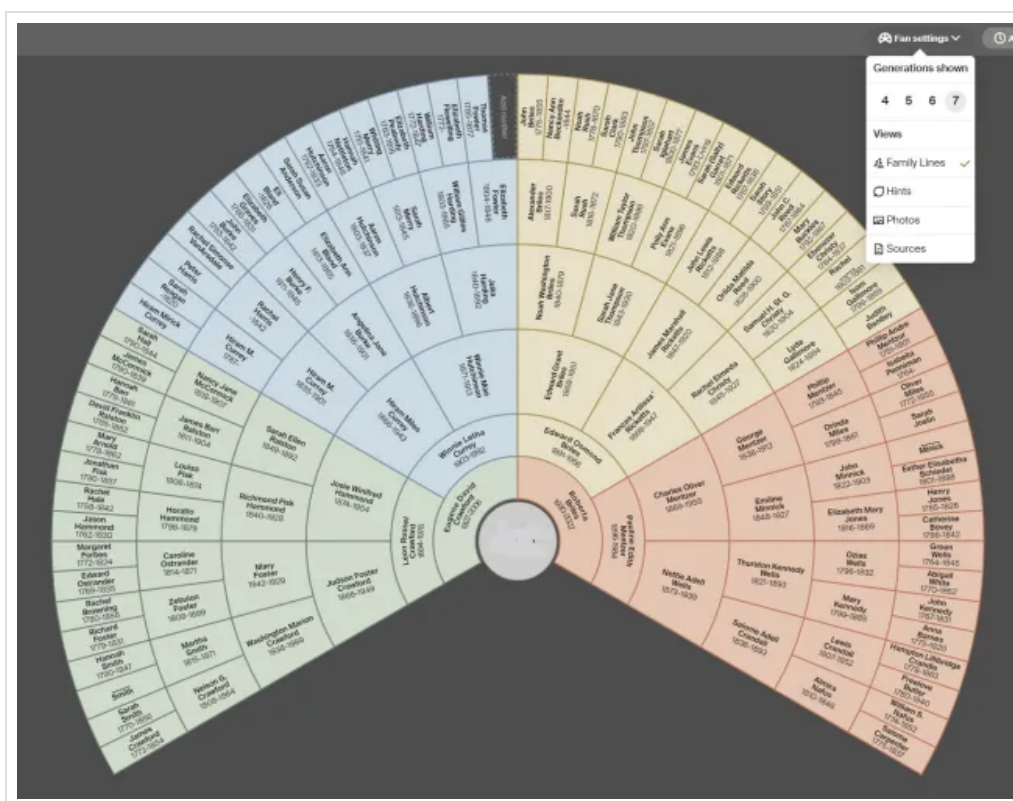
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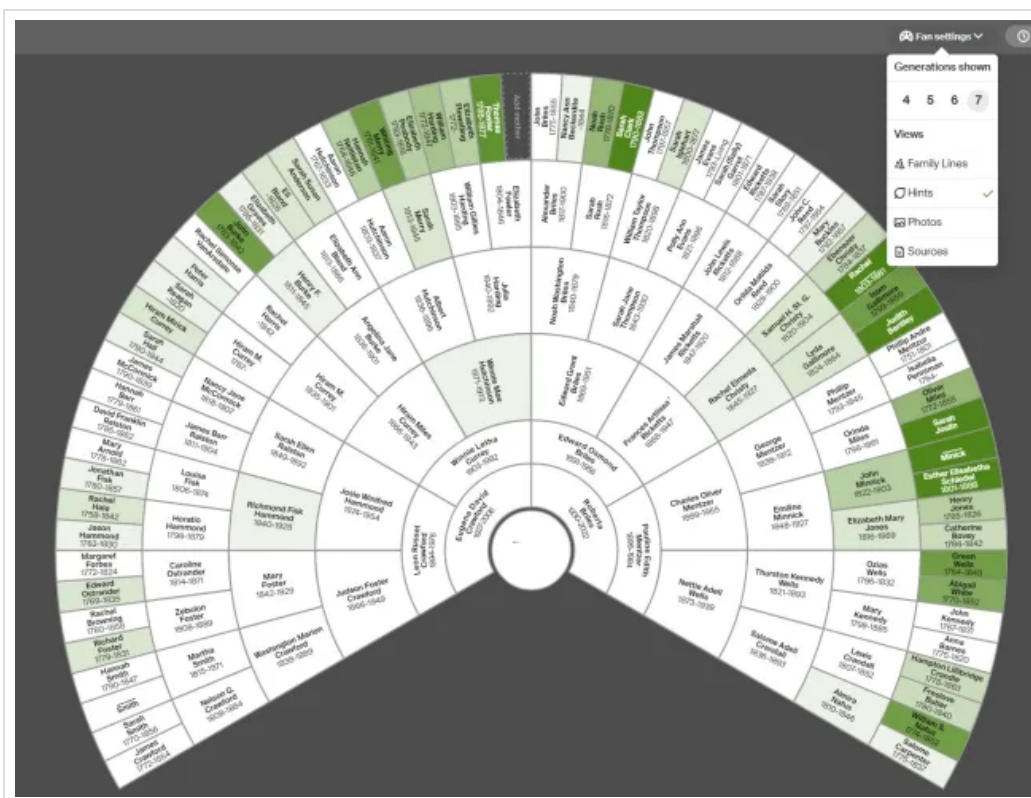
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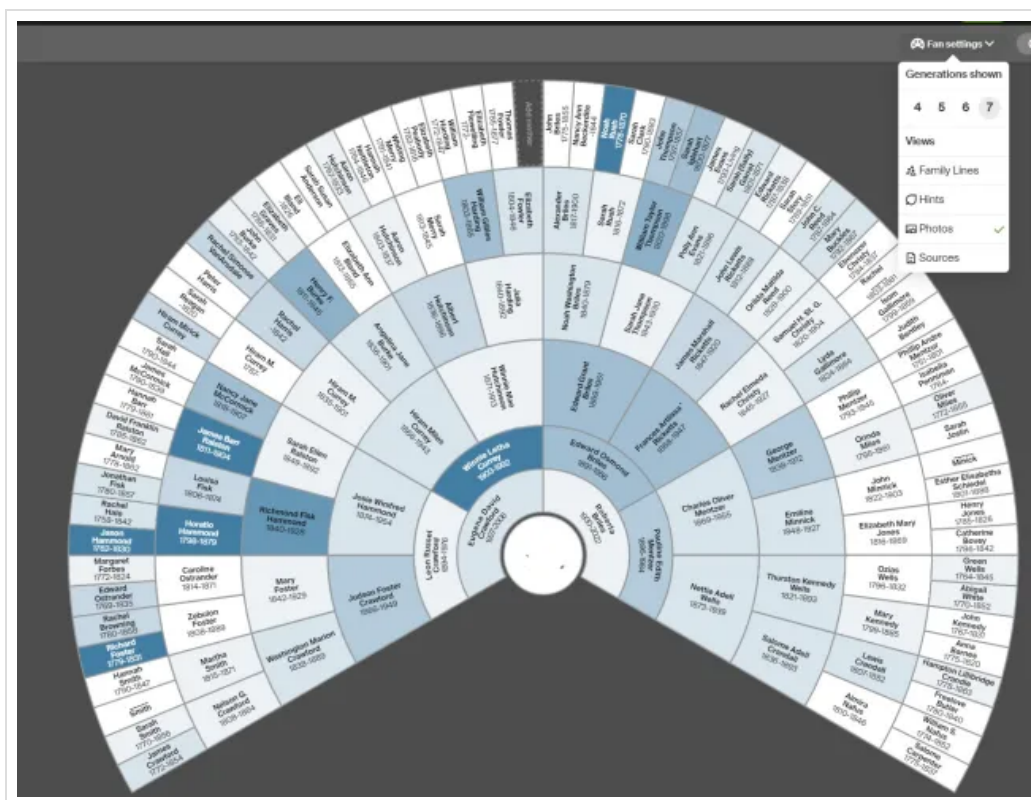
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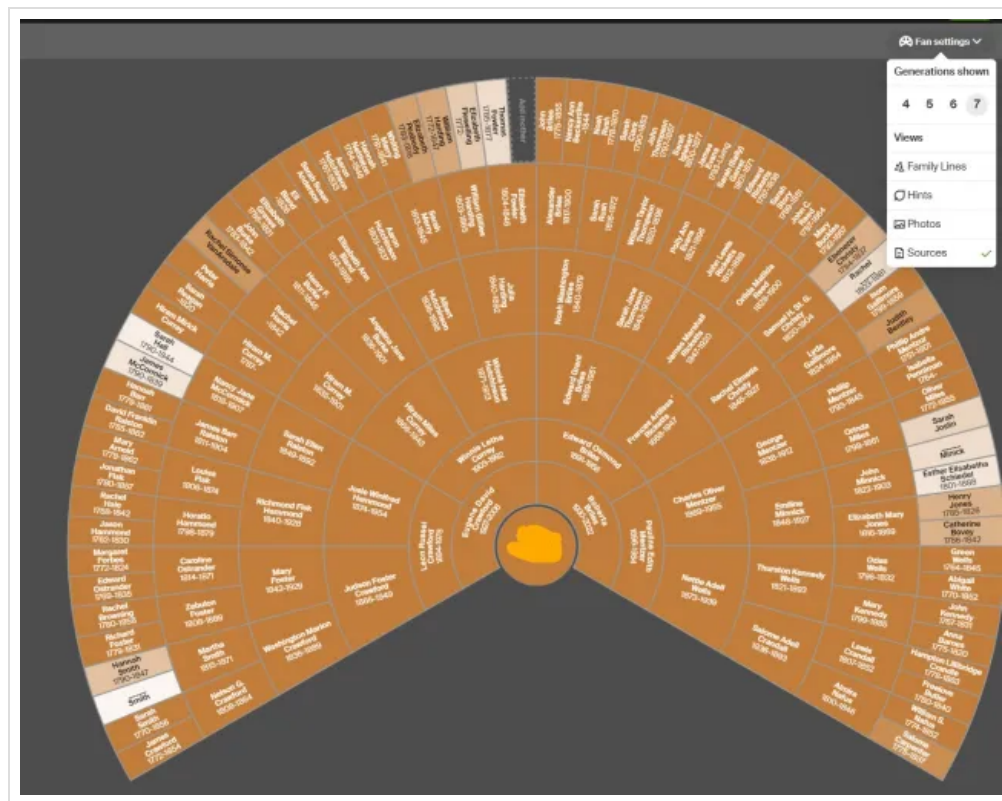


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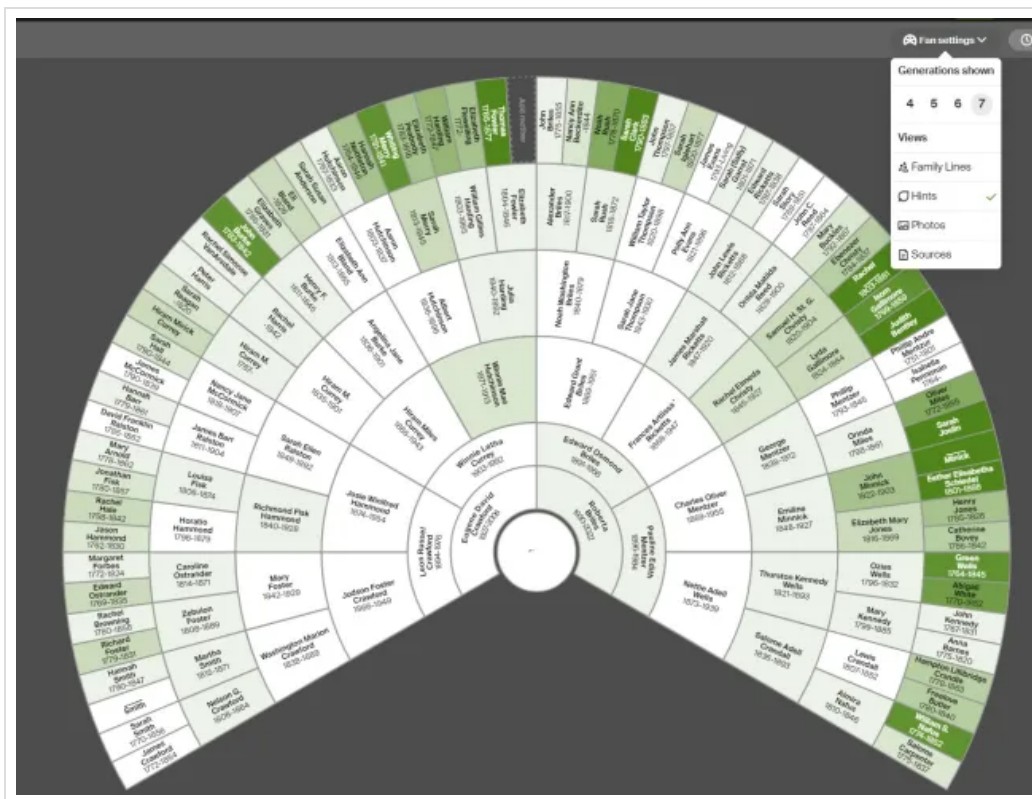
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Fan View – Sources – the darker the orange, the more sources attached

At times, I turn on the use of Ancestry trees as hints. When that feature is turned on my Fan chart contains more green shading.



Fan View – Ancestry Hints – when hinting from other trees is turned on

For more on this new Ancestry feature as well as other September changes, check out Genealogy TV's Ancestry Updates video.





<https://youtube.com/watch?v=no-uyOkSVLw>



See my Saturday Night Genealogy Fun post from August 13th for examples of Fan Charts from FamilySearch and RootsMagic 9.



# Purple Heart

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, PURPLE HEART

## Ernest Swart




Photo added by Tom Noble

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### Ernest Gilbert Swart

**BIRTH** 11 Jun 1919  
Seneca, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

**DEATH** 18 Jan 1945 (aged 25)  
China


**BURIAL** [Oneida Cemetery](#)  
Oneida, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA [Add to Map](#)

**PLOT** Lot 133


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August 9, 1945 - American Postmark Stamp  
Bach T-62 - 14th Air Force  
Military Service Medal (Purple Heart) - 1945-1946  
Star 18 Jan 1945 - Missing, Airborne, Airborne, Airborne, Airborne, China  
Military Service Medal (Purple Heart) - 1945-1946



Added by Arthur Allen Moore III

**Killed In Action.**

Lt Swart bailed out at 250 feet but was killed. His crew said, "Keeping the plane level so his crew could bail out safely cost him his life."

**Inscription**

In loving memory  
14th. Air Force

*The Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)*

*28 Feb 1941*

Ernest Swart was one of the Gove County men who left Monday night for military training camp.

*Grinnell Record Leader (Grinnell, KS)*

16 Oct 1941

Our local draftees, who left almost a year ago to do their part for National Defense, are home on a furlough from Camp Robinson, Ark. Ernest Swart and Robert Hilbeb are two of our draftees home looking just perfectly handsome in their army uniforms. Ernest and Bob both like their jobs with Uncle Sam. Medals on both boys show that they don't intend to still be buck privates 18 months from now.

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

25 Dec 1941

## **Christmas in the Heart**

Mrs. George Gilkerson, Oneida, with her daughter, Mrs. Bernice McDonald at 2400 West 13th Little Rock, Ark, writes "I am here with my daughter and am always glad to get the Courier to see what has happened at home and feel all folks in Nemaha are friends. When I see a car with a Kansas tag on I wonder if its anyone I know. I have been here since August. Bernice is going to business school to brush up on her typing and shorthand, expecting to work, I have a grandson in this war, Ernest Swart. He is in Fort Benning at present, going to a motor maintenance school. Camp Robinson sent him there last Thanksgiving." Mrs. Gilkerson sends the Courier to her children, Mr. and Mrs. George Swart and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gilkerson, Oakley, for Christmas gifts.

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*Grinnell Record Leader (Grinnell, KS)*

31 Dec 1942

Cpl. Ernest Swart will receive the Record-Leader as a gift from some one in this community. The name of the donor is not known, but we'll be glad to learn who is sending this paper and we are certain Ernest will appreciate the gift. His address is

Cpl. Ernest Swart 37002828

AT Co. 137 Inf.

A.P.O. NO. 35

Los, Angeles, California

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*The Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)*

*8 Jan 1943*

Word comes from Ernest Swart that he has joined the U.S. Army Air Forces. He is a Cadet Lieutenant. His address is

Ernest G. Swart

37002828

S.A.A.A.B.

Santa Anna, Calif.

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*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)*

*9 Jul 1943*

The Oakley Graphic

Oakley, Kansas

Every time I move, my paper gets behind and I begin to miss it so I again have to take out a minute of a crowded day to write a letter. the paper is most enjoyed. It seems the part I enjoy most is the letters form the rest of the boys.

This time my stop is at a basic flight school. We have just got organized here and started to ground school. I got an hour up yesterday and from now on will be pretty steady time. A great lot of difference between these and the primaries. I got in sixty-five hours in primary at the Cal. Aero Flight Academy. Was lucky to have no accidents and receive the Gold Star of the

school. I will be satisfied to get through here and advance without mentioning awards. The tough grind lies ahead, and we all now it.

Our post is excellent but rater out away from the city. We do have a swell orchestra which plays on a broadcast and dance for us each Thursday in Taft. The orchestra is composed of the main orchestras of the country, including Glen Miller's Tommy DOrsey's Harry James' and others. I mean men from these. In case any of you would like to hear it, listen to the Blue Network on Thursday evenings at 9:30 P.W.T. I'll be there.

Must close for now. Will be looking forward for the paper.

Thanks

Yours Truly,  
Ernest Swart

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*18 May 1944*

Ernest Swart, son of geo. Swart, Oakley, Kans., is a pilot on a liberator. He expected to go across and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Swart went to California to see him, driving his car home. Orders were changed, however, and he was given a 20 day leave to visit home and he is now at Oakley. Miss Dorothy Swart, a daughter with WACS in England, was made a captain last March. She cabled Mother's Day greeting to her parents.

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*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)*

*7 Jul 1944*

Miss Ethel Swart received a letter from her brother, Lt. Ernest Swart saying they had landed in India. The weather reminded him of western Kansas in 1935.

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*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)*

*9 Feb 1945*

## **Lt. Ernest Swart Missing in Action**

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart received word Wednesday morning from the Adjutant General's office that their son, 1st Lt. Ernest Swart had been missing in action in the China area, since January 18. Lt. Swart was a pilot in the China-Burma-India theatre of operations and had completed his missions on transport duty "over the hump," and it is presumed he was on combat duty. He had been in this section since last June.

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*12 Feb 1945*

Henry Swart has received word from Geo. Swart of Oakley, Kans., that Ernest Swart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart is missing in action. Earnest was born on the Swart farm in Head District.

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*The Grinnell Record-Leader (Grinnell, KS)*

*15 Feb 1945*

## **Lt. Ernest Swart Is Now Reported Killed in Action**

Died on Day He Was Reported Missing in China Jan. 18

The cost of war in human lives has once again been brought home to the people of this community and especially to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Swart of Grinnell, who were advised by telegram Saturday, February 10th from the War Department that their son 1/Lt. Ernest G. Swart had been killed in action on January 18th the date he was reported missing in action. On February 7th word was received by the family that 1/Lt. Swart was missing in China.

Lieutenant Swart was serving as first pilot on a B-24 bomber with the 14th Air Force in China. His crew had made many trips over the "Hump" and across the Himalaya mountains which is considered the world's most dangerous territory for planes heavily loaded with gas and supplies these bombers made their trips across this stretch and these were the hard trips, according to letters written home by Lt. Swart, As they made their trips, flying with only the aid of their instruments and with small margins of gas when returning, the hazardous trips were made, one after another until Ernest's crew had completed more than three-fourths of their missions in this territory. The bomb trips which made up about the same number, were considered the easier of the trips.

Lt. Swart left on June 3, 1944 for overseas duty and had served from the base in China since arriving there. He received his commission as First Lieutenant on August 1, 1944 while on overseas duty. He entered service on February 24, 1941 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and received training in the Anti Tank Co., 137th Infantry, 35th Division at Camp Robinson, Arkansas the first nine months of his military career. the next three months he spent in Motor Maintenance School at Fort Benning Georgia, moving then to fields at San Francisco and Long Beach, Calif where he took further training.

Then he transferred to the Air Corps on December 16, 1942. He took his preflight training at Santa Ana, his advanced training at Ontario, Calif., and received his wings and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant at Stockton Field, California, on November 3, 1943. He was then given a 15 day furlough which he spent at home. When he returned from the furlough he was assigned to Kirkland Field, Albuquerque, New Mexico where he was assigned to the ship he was to fly, a B-24 Bomber. From there he was sent to Muroe Field, Calif., where he was assigned his crew and took his advanced flight training.



Ernest Gilbert Swart was born June 11, 1919 at Seneca, Kansas. He attended grade school in Nemaha and Gove Counties and was graduated from Grinnell rural High School with the class of 1937. Prior to entering the Army he was engaged in farming and implement sales service.

He was initiated into the Grinnell A.F. & A.M. Lodge No. 444 on May 5, 1944.

He is survived by his parents

(Continued on back page)

Lt. Ernest Swart is Killed in Action

(Continued from front page)

Mr. and Mrs. George Swart, his brothers, Wilbert, Alfred, John and Lloyd; his sisters, Oura Lee, Jessie, Bettie, Ethyl and Gladys all of the Grinnell community and his sister, Captain Dorothy Swart, who is now serving with the U.S. WAC's somewhere in England.

In letters written to home folks, Lt. Swart had told of his successful missions having reached the three fourths mark in number of those required to start the homeward journey. He also told of having helped another crew to take off on their homeward journey, their missions completed. At the time one letter of January 16th was written, he told that there was only one older crew than his own, and this crew was waiting replacements before they could leave for their trip to the U.S. and this was the journey Ernest and his crew were eagerly anticipating, until the fatal accident which cost his life and the details of which will not be known immediately.

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*Courier tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*15 Feb 1945*

### **Lt. Ernest Swart, Oakley, Killed in Action over China**

Mr. and Mrs. George Swart, Oakley, Kans., received word Tuesday that their son, Lt. Ernest Swart, was killed in action over China on January 18th, four days after he was reported as

missing. He was a pilot of a B-24 and was 25 years old. He was born on the Swart farm now occupied by Frank Wilhelm, the family moving to Oakley in 1928. He is survived by his parents, several brothers and sisters. A sister, Capt. Dorothy Swart, was one of the first WAC's to go overseas and is stationed in England. Ernest had been overseas about six months and had completed three-fourths of his missions. He had been shot down three times previously. Miss Wanda Swart, a cousin, had a letter from Lieut. Swart, written January 14th, four days before he was fatally injured. Beside the members of his immediate family he leaves his grandmothers, Mrs. Louise Swart, now in Donna, Texas, and Mrs. Grace Gilkerson, who is with her daughter and family at Oakley. He is not married.

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*19 Feb 1945*

Mrs. Louise Swart, in Donna, Texas, with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas P. Johnstone, has six grandsons, a granddaughter and a grand-son-in-law in the service. Lt. Ernest Swart, Oakley, Kan., whose death was recently reported, is a grandson.

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*The Grinnell Record-Leader (Grinnell, KS)*

*8 March 1945*

## **News of Our Men and Women in Uniform**

The following letter was received by Mr. and Mrs. George M. Swart of Grinnell from three members of the crew of their son, Lt. Ernest Swart. The letter explains that Swart lost his life while returning from a mission over occupied China:

China

Friday, Feb. 16, 1945

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Swart

We are sorry that we have waited so long to write this letter but we wished to get all the information possible concerning Ernie's death.

On January 18th he was on a mission into occupied China, flying first Pilot with a new crew on their first mission. About an hour from our base on the return trip from the target several other planes heard Ernie call on the radio and say that two of his engines were out and they were all leaving the plane. They were losing altitude very rapidly and Ernie being the last one to leave the plane, was too close to the ground for his parachute to open completely when he did jump.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy. If we may be of any assistance at all, please feel free to get in touch with us.

The other ten members of the crew landed safely. The next day they found and buried his body with the assistance of the Chinese.

Lieutenant Swart was considered one of the best pilots in the squadron and was liked by everyone. We, who have flown with him for the last year, have nothing but the highest praise for him.

As you probably know by now, he was awarded the Silver Star for the wonderful job he did last August 29th when we were all with him.

Very Sincerely,

J. T. O'Neal, Jr.

Orville Miller, JR.

Edward J. Napior

Co-Pilot, Navigator, Bombardier

*Oakley Graphic (Oakley, KS)**14 Sept 1945*

## **Posthumous Awards to 1st. Lt. Swart Received**

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Swart recently received the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, representing an additional award of the Air Medal having been posthumously awarded their son, First Lieutenant Ernest G. Swart, Air Corps. They had previously received the Purple Heart. The Silver Star was awarded for gallantry in action on Aug. 29, 1944; the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement in Aerial Flying from July 5 to Nov. 11, 1944 (200 or more hours of combat flight etc.); Air Medal, for meritorious achievement from July 5 to Sept. 16, 1944 (100 or more hours of flight, etc.); Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, for meritorious achievement as pilot from July 5 to Jan. 14, 1945 (300 or more hours, etc.)

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)**2 May 1949*

## Service at Oneida for Lieutenant Ernest Swart

With family and friends and many servicemen gathered to pay their respect, funeral service was held yesterday at the Oneida Methodist church for Lieutenant Ernest G. Swart, who gave his life for his country. It was a simple service but the kind the soldier would have liked.

The Rev. Steve Parker, Seneca, who was long an army chaplain, called attention that Lieutenant Swart had given his life for the Christian principles that have become what we term the American way of life; that those who live must carry on such principles that those who gave their lives shall not have done so in vain.

Fitting too, were the remarks of Rev. Onan Yale, for he was a member of Ernest Swart's high school class when they were boys together in high school at Grinnell, Kansas.

The old songs by Oneida singes, the full military honors at the grave, the beauty of the day after a storm had cleared, the profusion of flowers, all added to the service.

An obituary read by Rev. Yale follows

Ernest Gilbert Swart, son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Swart, was born June 1, 1919, near Seneca, Kansas, and gave his life in action over China Jan 18, 1945.

He moved to Gove county with his parents and the rest of the family in 1929. He attended grade school in Nemaha and Gove counties, graduating from Grinnell high school in 1937. Then he helped on the farm, also did implement sales work until entering the service of his country as one of the first draftees of Gove county on Feb. 24, 1941. He was assigned to the 35th division and took basic training at Camp Robinson Ark. and Fort Bennington, Ga. He transferred to the air corps in 1942, and received his wings at Stockton Field, Calif., Nov 3, 1943. After further training he was assigned to a B-24 bomber. On June 3, 1944 he was sent to overseas duty in China. He with his crew, became a part of the famous Flying Tigers under General Chenault. He soon became a first lieutenant. He lost his life while returning from a

bombing mission with a new crew. They were forced to parachute out, due to a disabled plane, when only an hour's flight from their home base. He was the only casualty.

Ernest attend the Methodist church at Grinnell. HE was initiated into the Grinnell lodge of A.F. & A.M. on May 5, 1944.

He is survived by his parents, brothers, Wilbert, Alfred, John, Loyd and Oura Lee; sisters, Jessie, who is Mrs. A. G. Park, and Gladys, both of Oakley, Bettie who is Mrs. Allan Burns, Dallas Texas; and Ethel, of Lawrence, Kan. There are three brother-in-law, two sisters-in-law, seven nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Oneida and Goff service posts and a Seneca representation join in conducting the military services yesterday. Oakley Legion sent the pallbearers. They were Don Schuman, Royce Teeters, Clarence Hays, Louis Medlin, LeRoy Nelson and Richard Mather.

Relatives from a distance who were here for the service included Mr. and Mrs. George m. Swart, Gladys, John, Loud, Oura Lee and three other of the family from Oakley Mr and Mrs Wilbert Swart, Mr and Mrs. Alfred Swart, Mr and Mrs Leonard Swart, Mrs J J McDonald, Donald McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Park, Mrs. T. P. Johnstone and Glenn Johnstone from Donna Texas; Miss Ethel Swart of Lawrence, Kans., Bill McDonald, Manhattan, Mr. and Mrs. Max Krummel and Linda Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Debus, Belleville, Ks., Mrs. Jeanette Bn and baby and Robert Duncan Kansas City Ks., Mrs Ed Gilkerson and Miss Nellie Gilkerson, St. Joseph.

Among the friends from a distance were Mr and Mrs R. H. Thomas of Kansas City, Ralph Medn, Don Hall, Noah Frazier and Neil Schwietzer of Oakley, Mr. and Mrs John Bo, Mrs. D. J. Hale, Harvey Weinhardt and Leonard Samdon of Grinnell and Rev Onan Yale, Enid, Okla.

# Rachel Hale Hammond

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CONNECTICUT, HAMMOND, OHIO

**Rachel Hale** was born on 11 Dec 1758 in Glastonbury, Hartford County, Connecticut.

She was the mother of Theodore Hammond who was born on 11 May 1789 in Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut.

She was the mother of Rachel Hammond who was born on 22 Jan 1791 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

Rachel was the mother of Lewis Hammond who was born on 22 Apr 1794 .

She was the mother of Mary Hammond who was born on 12 Mar 1796 in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut.

She was the mother of Horatio Hammond who was born on 24 Oct 1798 in Connecticut.

Rachel was named in Theodore Hale's will as his daughter on 28 Jul 1801 in Hartford County, Connecticut.

She lived in Bath, Summit County, Ohio in 1810.

She helped treat sick for many of the common diseases in Bath, Summit, Ohio, United States.

Rachel died on 11 Nov 1842 at the age of 83 in Bath, Summit County, Ohio.

She was buried at Ira Cemetery in Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio.



Photo added by [Pamela Parks Costa](#)

## Rachel *Hale* Hammond

<b>BIRTH</b>	12 Dec 1759 Glastonbury, Hartford County, Connecticut, USA
<b>DEATH</b>	11 Nov 1842 (aged 82)
<b>BURIAL</b>	<a href="#">Ira Cemetery</a> Ira, Summit County, Ohio, USA <a href="#">Show Map</a>
<b>PLOT</b>	Lot 5, Space 8
<b>MEMORIAL ID</b>	21310352 · <a href="#">View Source</a>

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# Justice of the Peace

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FISK, OHIO

Have you been able to verify that any of your pre-1850 ancestors held a county office such as Justice of the Peace? If so, did you find it in a county history? That's where I've normally found such information.

However, thanks to the new United States Wills and Deeds Experimental Search feature on the FamilySearch site, I know that other genealogists recommend reading all of the county deeds to look for instances where an ancestor signed as a witness. However, I rarely have done that. Thus, this new tool helped me to locate a deed where Jonathan Fisk signed as a justice of the peace!



*Cuyahoga County Ohio  
Deed Records*

*Deeds & Mortgages v. E-5-G-7 1824-1828*

*Film 1994221 DGS 008199823*

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*Deeds F-6*

*page 22*

*To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting*

*Know ye that we Warren Youngs and Mary Young his wife of Brooklyn*

*Cuyahoga County and State of Ohio for and in consideration of five  
hundred*

*dollars received to our full satisfaction of Gershom Young of said Brooklyn Do*

*Bongan sell remise release and forever Quit Claim unto the said Gershom*

*page 23*

*Young the following described tract or parcel Situate in the Township of Brecken*

*being township number seven in the thirteenth range of townships in the Countice*

*Western Reserve in the State of this and which is the in the County of Cuyalman and*

*is known by part of lot Number 63 & 64 and is Bounded as follows*

*Beginning on the*

*East line of Lot 63 19 chains 6 lks North of the S E corner of said lot thence N 1 degree 50*

*W 60 Chs 95 lks to the N E Corner of lot 64 thence on said Lot line 88 degrees W 13 chs 75 lks*

*to an iron wood Stake and Stones thence S 1 degrees 50 Minutes E 40 chs 10 lks to a boxwood stake and stones*

*on the line of said lot thence S 89 degrees 00 W 2 chs 75 lks to to a Chesnut Stake and stone*

*thence S 1 degree 50 Min E 8chs 65 lks to a chesnut Stake and stone in lot 63 thence S 88 degrees 10 min W 2 chs*

*50 lks to a Chesnut Stake and Stones thence S 1 degree 50 E 12 chs 20 Lks to an iron wood State*

*and Stones on the N line of Mary Akin's land thence N 88 degrees 10 min E 19 chs to the*

*place of beginning Containing 2 acres and 50/100 of on acre according to the*

*Survey of Edwin Foote Esqr to have and to hold the above described land and*

*premises with the appurtenances thereof unto the said Gershom Young his heirs*

*and assigns to his and then own proper use and behoof forever And I the*

said

*Mary Young do hereby remise release and forever quit claim unto the said Gershom Young his heirs and assigns all my right and title of Dower in the above described premises in Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hand and*

*seals the 28th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five*

*Warren Young (seal)*

*Mary Young (seal)*

*Signed Sealed and Delivered*

*in presence of*

*Mary Young*

*Jonathan Fisk*

*Jeremiah Gates*

*The State of Ohio*

*Cuyahoga County SS*

*Be it Remembered that on the 28th day of*

*December AD 1825 personally came before me*

*the within named Warren Young the signer and Sealer of the foregoing instrument*

*and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed Also personally appeared*

*the within named Mary Young wife of the said Warren Young and I having*

*fully made known and explained to the said Mary the contents of the above deed*

*having likewise examined her separate and apart from her said husband she*

*she declared that she did of her own free will and accord sign and seal and as her*

*act and deed deliver the same without the force coercion or compulsion of her*

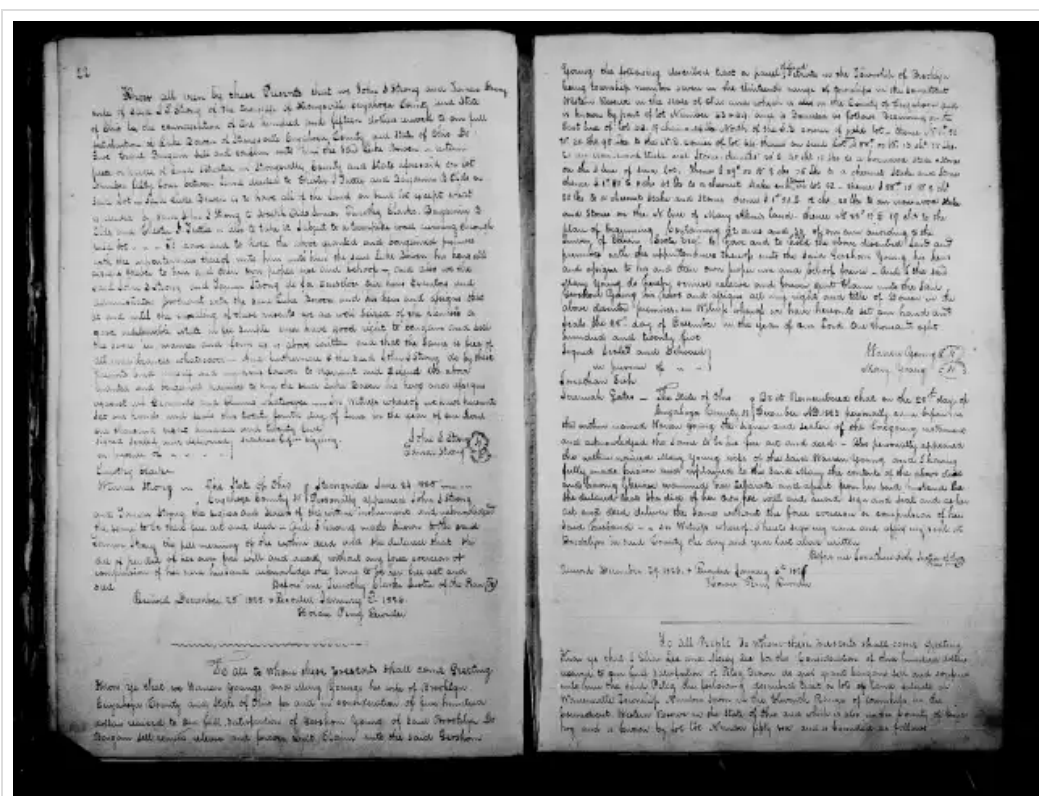
*said husband In Witness whereof I hereto sign my name and affix my seal at*

*Brooklion in said County the day and year last above written*  
*Before me Jonathan Fisk Justice of the*  
*Peace*  
*Received December 29 1825 Recorded January 6th 1856*  
*Horaw Perry Recorder*

**OHIO, CUYAHOGA COUNTY. DEEDS & MORTGAGES. FILM #1994221 DGS 008199823.**

**JONATHAN FISK, 28 DEC 1825; Y-23: PAGE 22; DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILYSEARCH**

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# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: DODGE CITY, HAMMOND

Do you have handwritten notes in your files? As I'm going thru my files, I am finding such notes. One set of notes comes from Ford County, Kansas for my Hammond line. Fortunately, I do have photocopies of the marriage licenses for my 2nd great grandfather and some his children.

## Ford County Kansas

### Marriage Record Books

*(Handwritten Notes)*

Hammond, Stella — Book B page 114

William P Root of Springfield, CO, age 25

Stella Hammond of Dodge City, age 21

20 March 1889 at Dodge City by D W Moffit, Judge

Hammond, Nellie — Book B page 134

Homer L. Bleecker of Ford Co. KS age 24

Nellie E. Hammond of Ford Co. KS age 18

25 Dec 1889 at Dodge City by J W Wright, Pres. Minister

Hammond, Lettie — Book B page 153

Richard Stubbs of Ford Co. KS age 22

Lettie Hammond age 17

23d Oct 1890 at res. bride's parents by J W Wright Pres. Min.

Hammond R. F. — Book B page 309  
 R F Hammond of Dodge City age 56  
 Mary E Myers of Dodge City age 38  
 7 Nov 1897 at Dodge City by W. N. Harper

Hammond Clyde — Book B page 423  
 Clyde N. Hammond of Dodge City, age 22  
 Minnie L. Connell of Dodge City age 23  
 23 Nov 1901 at Dodge City by Rev. Wm Westwood

**MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD.** Ford County, KS  
 Book B p. 4

State of Kansas, }  
 COUNTY OF FORD. } Office of the Probate Judge of said County.

BE IT REMEMBERED: That, on the 23 day of November A. D. 1901, there was issued, from the office of the Probate Judge, a Marriage License, of which the following is a copy:

**MARRIAGE LICENSE.**

Ford County, State of Kansas, November 23 A. D. 1901.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PERFORM THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY, GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Clyde N. Hammond  
 of Dodge City age 22 years, and Minnie L. Connell,  
 of Dodge City age 23 years, and of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days.  
 (Seal.) J. H. Husley Probate Judge.

State of Kansas, Nov County, ss.

I, Rev. Wm Westwood, do hereby certify that, in accordance with the authorization of the within License, I did, on the 23 day of November A. D. 1901, at Dodge City in said County, join and unite in marriage the within-named Clyde N. Hammond and Minnie L. Connell.

WITNESS my hand and seal the day and year above written.  
 Attest: Robert Stevenson  
Robert Stevenson Probate Judge. Rev. Wm Westwood

”

Married, on Wednesday, November 27, by Rev. Wm. Westwood of the Presbyterian church at the home of Robert Stevenson in this city, Mr. Clyde Hammond and Miss Minnie Connell, daughter of S. T. Connell.

**THE JOURNAL DEMOCRAT (DODGE CITY, KS) 29 NOV 1901, PAGE 4**



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*Married — Nov. 27, at the home of Robt. Stevenson, by Rev. Wm. Westwood, Mr. Clyde Hammond and Miss Minnie Connell, daughter of S. T. Connell. The young people start in life under happy auspices. May they do well.*

**THE DOGE CITY GLOBE (DODGE CITY, KS) 28 NOV 1901, PAGE 5**

Marriage License Record Book B 1887-1903

Office of District Court

Ford County Courthouse

Dodge City, KS

page 114

20 March 1889

William P. Root of Springfield, Colo aged 25 years

Stella Hammond of Dodge city aged 21

license issued by D W Moffitt, Probate Judge

married 20 March 1889 by D. W. Moffitt Probate Judge at Dodge City

Ford County KS  
Marriage Record  
Book 8 p 114

State of Kansas, }  
COUNTY OF FORD. } Office of the Probate Judge of said County.

BE IT REMEMBERED: That, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1889, there was issued, from the office of the Probate Judge, a Marriage License, of which the following is a copy:

**MARRIAGE LICENSE.**

Ford County, State of Kansas, March 20, A. D. 1889

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PERFORM THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage William P Root  
of Springfield Colo. aged 25 years, and Stella Hammond  
of Dodge City, Ks. aged 21 years, and of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days.

(Seal.) D W Moffitt Probate Judge.

State of Kansas, Ford County, ss.  
I, D W Moffitt, do hereby certify that, in accordance with the authorization of the within License, I did, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1889, at Dodge City, Ks in said County, join and unite in marriage the within-named William P Root and Stella Hammond

WITNESS my hand and seal the day and year above written.  
Attest: (Seal) D W Moffitt Probate Judge.

” Married — Wednesday evening, March 29th, 1889, at the residence of the bride's parents, in this city, Miss Estella M. Hammond, of Dodge City, to Mr. William Root of Springfield, Colorado; Judge D. W. Moffitt officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hammond, and has a host of friends in this city. Mr. Root is a resident of Springfield, Colorado, and is one of the largest cattle owners in eastern Colorado. He is an old time friend of Capt. H. L. Sitler of this city. The newly married couple left for Springfield, Colorado, last Thursday, which place they will make their home.

**FORD COUNTY REPUBLICAN (DODGE CITY, KANSAS) 27 MAR 1889, PAGE 3**

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24 Dec 1889

Homer L. Bleecker of Ford Co. Ks aged 24

Nellie E. Hammond of Ford Co. KS aged 18

license issued by D W Moffitt Probate Judge

married by J. M. Wright Pres. Minister on 25 Dec 1889 at Dodge City



### *Orange Blossoms*

*On Christmas day, 1889, at the residence of the bride's father on North Railroad avenue, was married Homer L. Bleecker and Miss Nellie E. Hammond, Rev. J. M. Wright performing the ceremony with the ring. After the ceremony there was a bountiful supper served. The bride is a modest, retiring little woman, having a very just appreciation of the responsibilities of life. The groom is a young man of excellent habits, and for some time has been engaged with the Santa Fe railroad as a yard master at this place. The young couple have already selected and moved into their home on Avenue A, directly east of Dr. Milton's residence. The Globe-Republican extends congratulations, and doubts not that each is pleased with the Christmas gift received.*

**THE DODGE CITY GLOBE (DODGE CITY, KS) 1 JAN 1890, PAGE 5**

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5 Nov 1897

R. F. Hammond of Dodge City aged 56

Mary E. Myers of Dodge City aged 38

issued by W. N. Harper Probate Judge

married by W. N. Harper Probate Judge on 7 Nov 1897 at Dodge City

**Marriage Affidavit.**

State of Kansas, Jord County, ss:

In the Probate Court of said County and State.

R. F. Hammond who now here makes application for MARRIAGE LICENSE,  
addressed to any person authorized by law to join in Marriage R. F. Hammond  
of Dodge City aged 56 years, and Mary E. Myers  
of Dodge City aged 35 years, being by me first duly sworn, both say that they  
have the unqualified consent of their parents to their marriage, and that neither of said parties have been divorced by the  
decree of any Court within six months last past.

And that they, the said R. F. Hammond and Mary E. Myers  
are not related to each other in the degrees prohibited by law, to-wit: Parent and child, grand-parent and grand-child of  
any degree, brother and sister of either the one-half or the whole blood, uncle or niece, aunt or nephew, nor first cousins and  
that there exists no legal impediment to said marriage.

R. F. Hammond  
In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court, in and for  
Jord County, and Ex-officio Clerk thereof, have  
hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office, this  
5th day of November, A. D. 1897.

H. W. Harper  
PROBATE JUDGE.

No. 1

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”

R. F. Hammond, the well known contractor and builder, and Mrs. Mary E. Myers, were quietly married, Sunday afternoon. Probate Judge Harper officiating.

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# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from Sept 2, 2023*

- 1301 Kenneth O. Hollenbeck Be
- 1302 Wilfrid B. Kramer Se
- 1303 Melvin Henry Bonjour Ce
- 1304 James W. McDaniel Go
- 1305 William Joseph Flaherty Ha
- 1306 Roy Edgar Sewell We
- 1307 Theodore B. Gellhaus Go
- 1308 Albert Henry Heinen Go
- 1309 Dale Franklin Barrett Sa
- 1310 Raymond R. Benedict Onei
- 1311 Alvin W. Hartman Be
- 1312 Wilfred J. Broxterman Se
- 1313 Clyde Eldon Sourk Go
- 1314 James M. Johnstone Go
- 1315 William F. Woltkamp Se
- 1316 Joseph H. Buessing Ba
- 1317 Joe John Heinen Ba
- 1318 Raymond A. Eisenbarth Co
- 1319 Claude Herbert Walker Se
- 1320 Albert J. Schmits, Jr. Se
- 1321 John Ruben Watkins Onei
- 1322 Clarence M. Ronneb'm Onei
- 1323 Ernest Peter Kohake Go
- 1324 Lawrence B. Wessel Ba
- 1325 Benedict C. Strathman Se
- 1326 Galen Percie Stoldt Co

1327 George W. Dannevik Ce  
1328 Roy Kenneth Alderfer Sa  
1329 Albert H Plattner Be  
1330 Leonard Edward Lauer Se  
1331 Thomas D. Troughton Go  
1332 Barney Rinard Rilinger Ba  
1333 Alvin Korber Ba  
1334 John Charles Hutfles Co  
1335 Clement Peter Schmelzle Se  
1336 Walter Francis Clelland Go  
1337 Gerard Patrick Gaughan C  
1338 Cameron Earl Nickels Onei  
1339 Leo Clement Weber Se  
1340 Willis Walter Shuneman Se  
1341 Alvin Leo Bauman Onei  
1342 Louis Menold Sa  
1343 Nelson Garner Beard Ce  
1344 Floyd Louis Savage Ha  
1345 George William Clark Ha  
1346 Earl E. Schuneman Se  
1347 Suitbert V. Stallbaumer Co  
1348 Lloyd Walter Robbins Ona  
1349 Herman L. Stallbaumer Se  
1350 Ural Vincent Davis Go

*To be continued*



# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: PHILBRICK, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Do you have photos of your spouse, or significant other, or a parent, or a grandparent? Please share some of them! Have you collected all of the photos of your spouse/SO/parent/grandparent in a computer file folder?

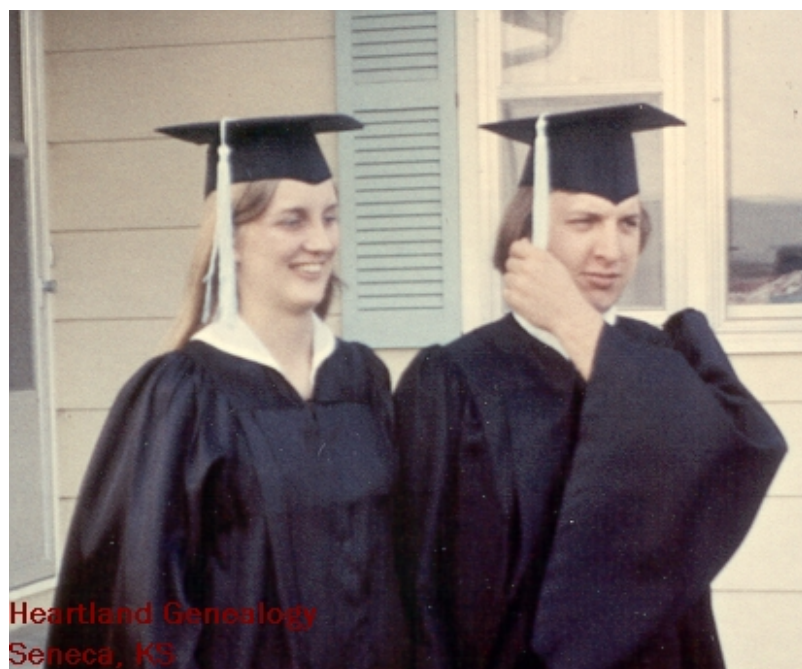
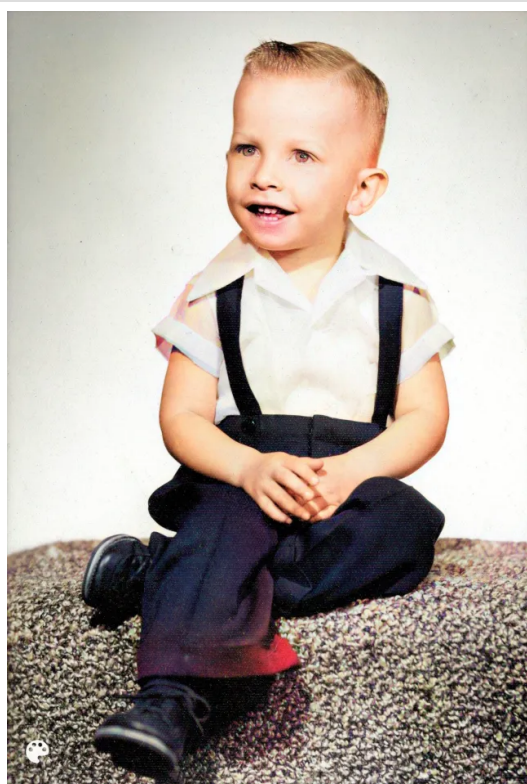
Do I have photos? Yes. Are they all scanned? Probably not.

Because I've been the recipient of a lot of family pictures, I've tried to scan them and upload them to the MEMORIES on Family Search.

- my dad
- my mother

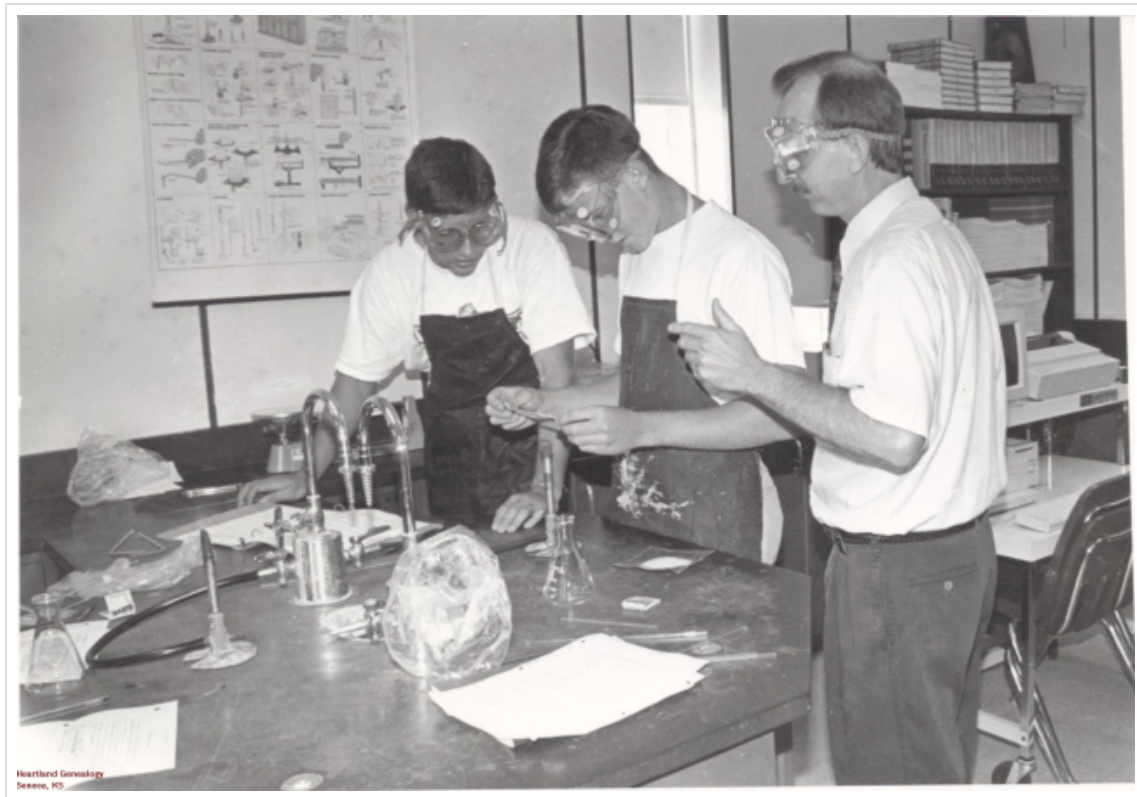
I also have the scanned images on my computer. I have a folder for each of my surnames with subfolders for relatives with that surname. In order to keep those subfolders organized, I begin the name of the folder with the person's birth year. This puts the folders in chronological order.

Since my husband researches his own tree, most of his photos are on his computer in Dropbox folders. For backup purposes, those folders are also on my computer.

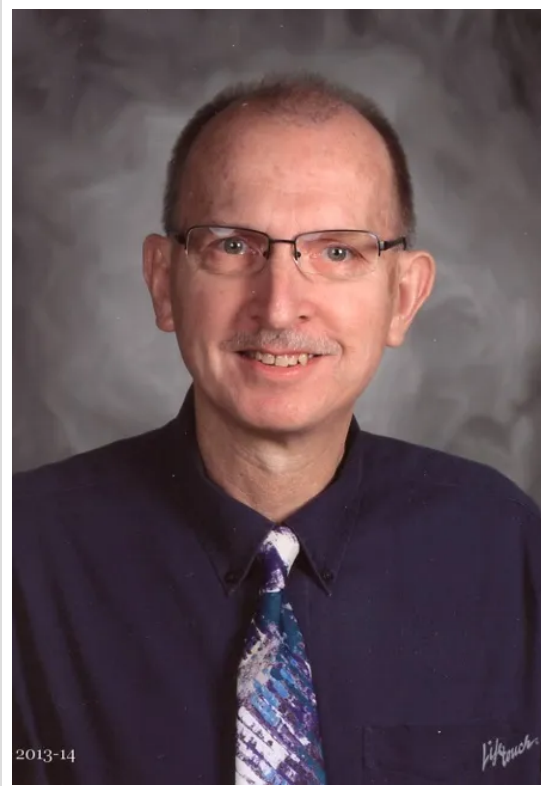


Heartland Genealogy  
Seneca, KS











# Two Jonathans?

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FISK

Have you ever questioned whether you have an incorrect ancestor in your tree? That's where I am with my FISK research.

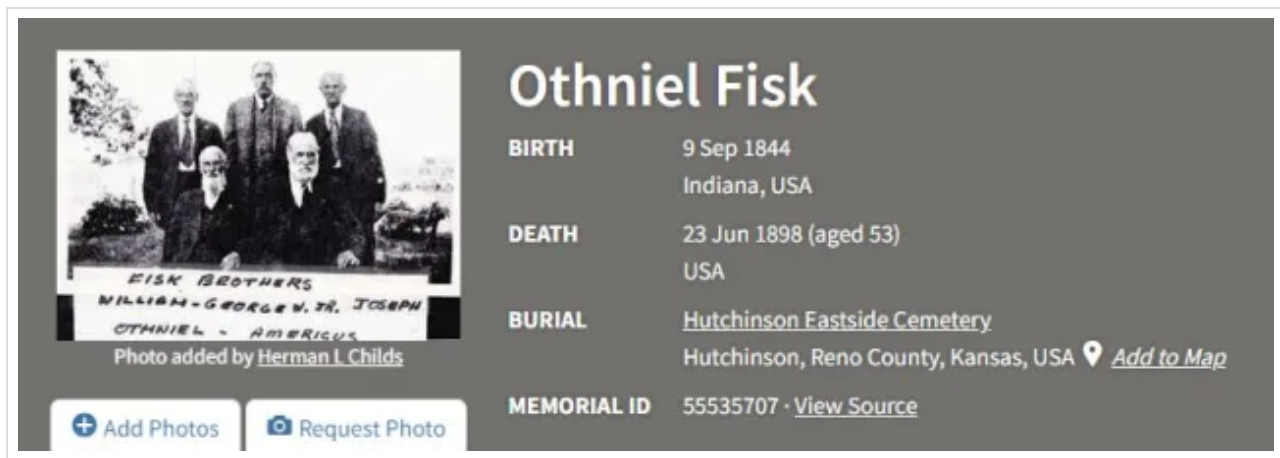
My third great grandmother, Louisa Fisk, married Horatio Hammond in 1825 in Medina county, Ohio. Horatio and Louisa moved from Ohio to Knox County, Illinois where she died in 1874. Louisa is likely the daughter of Jonathan Fisk of Medina and Cuyahoga counties, Ohio. While searching for obituaries for Jonathan, his wife Mary and their children, I stumbled across an article about a FISK reunion in Indiana. This article, referenced a

”

*'history of the Fisk family from the year 1339'.*

**"FISK FAMILY REUNION" THE DAILY REPORTER (GREENFIELD, IN) 27 SEPT. 1920, PAGE 4.**

That article led to a search for this Fisk Family History. I was able to locate Othniel Fisk on Find a Grave.



**Othniel Fisk**

**BIRTH** 9 Sep 1844  
Indiana, USA

**DEATH** 23 Jun 1898 (aged 53)  
USA

**BURIAL** [Hutchinson Eastside Cemetery](#)  
Hutchinson, Reno County, Kansas, USA [Add to Map](#)

**MEMORIAL ID** 55535707 · [View Source](#)

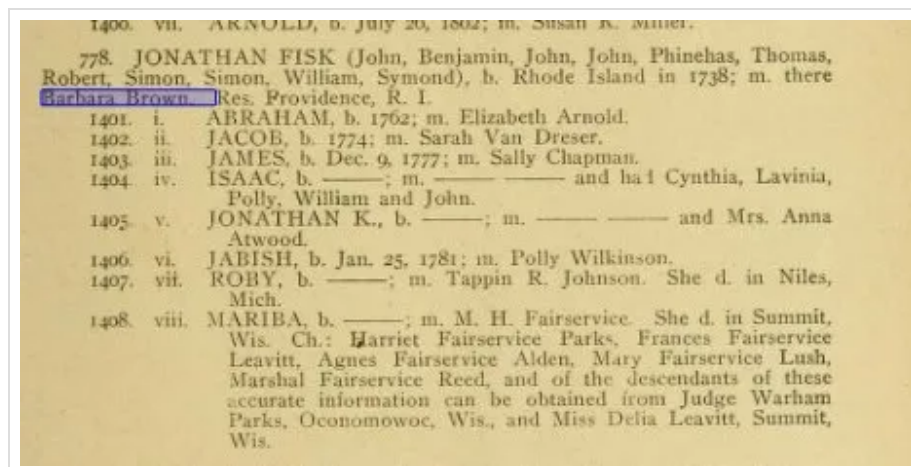
**FISK BROTHERS**  
WILLIAM - GEORGE W. JR. JOSEPH  
OTHNIEL - AMERICUS  
Photo added by Herman I. Childs

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I wasn't able to locate a work by Othniel Fisk, but I did locate a Fisk genealogy on Archive.org.

” *Pierce, Frederick Clifton. **Fiske and Fisk Family**. Chicago: Press of W. B. Conkey Company, 1898.*

In that genealogy, I was able to find what I have for Louisa's line by searching for her grandmother, “Barbara Brown”. That led me to the entry for the family of Jonathan Fisk and Barbara Brown.







*778 Jonathan Fisk (John, Benjamin, John, John, Phinehas, Thomas, Robert, Simon, Simon, William, Symond), b. Rhode Island in 1783; m. there Barbara Brown. Res. Providence, R.I.*

*1401 Abraham, b. 1762; m. Elizabeth Arnold*

*1402 Jacob, b. 1774; m. Saah Van Dreseer*

*1403 James b. Dec. 9, 1777; m. Sally Chapman*

*1404 Isaac, b. ; m. \_ and had Cynthia, Lavinia, Polly, William and John*

***1405 Jonathan K., b. and m. and Mrs. Anna Atwood***


*1406 Jabish b. Jan 25, 1781; m. Polly Wilkinson*


*1407 Roby b. ; m. Tappin R. Johnson. She d. in Niles, Mich.*

*1408 Mariba, b.\_; m. M. H. Fairservice. She d. in Summit Wis. Ch.:*

*Harriet Fairservice Parks, Francis Fairservice Leavitt, Agness Fairservice Alden, Mary Fairservice Lush, Marshall Fairservice Reed, and of the descendants of these accurate information can be obtained from Judge Warham Parks, Oconomowoc, Wis., and Miss Delia Leavitt, Summitt, Wis.*










This FISK genealogy has Jonathan married to Mrs. Anna Atwood and not to Mary Arnold. Thus, it looks like there are two men named Jonathan Fisk and my Jonathan may not be the son of Jonathan Fisk and Barbara Brown. Searching FamilySearch, I did find a Jonathan Fisk married to an Anna Atwood.



**Jonathan Knight Fiske**  
1787-1857 • KDS3-NL8



**Anna Atwood**  
1787-Deceased • KHY3-9TB

**Marriage**  
11 June 1850  
Scltuat, Providence, Rhode Island, United States

**Children (11)**




-  **Rebecca Fiske**  
1811-1884 • M27H-JG3
-  **John Fiske**  
1813-1885 • M27X-ZXJ
-  **Serry Fiske**  
1816-Deceased • K4P5-YBB
-  **Roby Fiske**  
1818-1887 • KHC7-6G3
-  **Mary Ann Fiske**  
1820-1892 • KZX5-SZ5
-  **Sarah Fiske**  
1822-Deceased • K8M7-1NH
-  **Nathan B. Fisk**  
1823-1899 • MLVG-QSF
-  **Jeremiah Fiske**  
1824-1900 • KCS6-4MB
-  **Samuel Knight Fiske**


**John Fiske**  
1755-Deceased • KH8P-XF9


**Rebecca Knight**  
1757-1830 • KFRP-KZR

**Marriage**  
Abt 1777  
of Cranston,, RI

**Children (3)**

-  **Isaiah Fiske**  
1783-Deceased • MM2B-T3K
-  **Jonathan Knight Fiske**  
1787-1857 • KDS3-NL8
-  **Rachel Fiske**  
1790-1870 • KHVS-QD8

+ ADD CHILD


+ ADD PARENT


Comparing this Jonathan Fisk to the Jonathan Fisk believed to be the father of Louisa Fisk, their FamilySearch profiles connect to different parents and have different children.

**Family Members**

Show All Family Members








**Spouses and Children**


**Jonathan Fisk**  
1774-Deceased • GSXW-9LM



**Mary Arnold**  
1778-1862 • GSXW-38S


**Marriage**  
4 October 1798  
New Hartford, Oneida, New York, United States

**Children (11)**

-  **Cyrena Fisk**  
1795-1878 • M45J-R79
-  **Fisk**  
1799-Deceased • G42G-YT4
-  **Mary Fisk**  
1802-1885 • G42G-KDS
-  **Harriet Fisk**  
1805-Deceased • LDTT-PST
-  **Louisa Fisk**  
1806-1874 • LHQ3-PNF
-  **Fisk**  
1809-Deceased • G42G-BCJ
-  **Arzalia Anna Fisk**








**Parents and Siblings**


**Jonathan Fiske**  
1738-1816 • KG3M-W1P


**Barbara Brown**  
1743-Deceased • G3J4-T8P

**No Marriage Events**

**Children (11)**

-  **Ezekiel Fisk**  
1758-Deceased • GXHC-DND
-  **Abraham Fisk**  
1761-1827 • LHC8-5Q5
-  **Lydia Fisk**  
1763-1852 • MDZZ-5Y5
-  **Mary Roby Fiske**  
1766-Deceased • KH1G-NV1
-  **Isaac Fisk**  
1770-Deceased • GXHC-FZ5
-  **Jacob Fiske**  
1773-1841 • 9NQ3-95Y
-  **Jonathan Fisk**  
1774-Deceased • GSXW-9LM

Thus, I believe these are two different men. Now the struggle begins to verify Louisa's parents and siblings and then to work on doing the same with her grandparents.

# Merchant Marines

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

## George Guilford

*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

*21 Dec 1942*

### Is Missing in Action

#### In Merchant Marine

#### George Guilford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford, Feared Lost

The Christmas season will find many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford, Centralia, sympathizing with them in an anxious time and hoping that better word may come than a report received Saturday, stating that their son, George Edward Guilford, is missing in action and presumed lost.

George is a volunteer in the merchant marine, one of the most dangerous of the government services. Men in this work often have the job of taking practically unarmed cargo ships through infested waters.

The telegram received by the parents stated: "The navy deeply regrets to inform you that your son George Edward Guilford, is missing and presumed lost, following action in the performance of his duty in the service of his country. The Coast Guard appreciated your great

anxiety and will forward you further information promptly when received.” The telegram concluded with a request that to prevent possible aid to the enemy, the name of his ship not be given. The message was signed by Vice-Admiral R. R. Waesche, commander of the U.S. Coast Guard.

George’s parents have been apprehensive since an item appeared in Kansas City papers the first of last week, telling of the death in action of Lieut. Carl S. Zeibler, former Minneapolis mayor. The Guilfords knew that Lieut. Zeibler was on George’s ship at Thanksgiving time and was in command of a gun crew.

George Guilford is a greatly admired in Centralia as an honest youth who has been making a place for himself in the world. At the age of 13, working at the Otto Polson station, he was so dependable that he could be left in charge of the station. While in high school, he worked for Arthur Myers in the clothing store. He graduated from high school in 1939; after graduation went to work for the Port Brokerage Co. in Mobile, Alabama, where he was making good.

George was active in Sunday School work in Centralia, was secretary before he left for Alabama.

He was 21 years of age last July. He joined the merchant marines last April and took schooling. His mother went to visit him before he took up sea duty in the summer.

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*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*


*17 Apr 1944*

## Centralia

The Friday K.C. Star carried the news that Lt. Carl Zeidler, Milwaukee’s “singing mayor” in the navy and reported missing, is believed alive and a Nazi prisoner somewhere in Argentina, S. A. Centralia is particularly interested in this as George Guilford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford, who was reported missing was on the same ship as Lt. Zeidler. The story

cam from the Milwaukee Sentinel and released for publication by the Navy office of public relations. The ship disappeared in the fall of 1942 when German submarines were taking such a heavy toll in the Atlantic.

George Guilford's memorial on Find a Grave provides more information about George Guilford's death.



**George Edgar Guilford**

**BIRTH** 22 Jul 1921  
Centralia, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA

**DEATH** 7 Nov 1942 (aged 21)  
At Sea

**BURIAL** Buried or Lost at Sea. Specifically: Mr. Guilford was on the SS LaSalle when the ship was and sunk about 350 miles southeast of the Cape of Good Hope [Add to Map](#)


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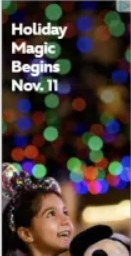
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U.S. Merchant Marine  
Service No: 42033  
USMM Academy, Class of 1943  
Award: Mariner's Medal, Combat Bar, Atlantic War Zone Bar, Pacific War Zone Bar, Victory Medal, Presidential Testimonial Letter

Address of Record: Centralia, Kansas

In September 1942, 21 year-old Engine Cadet GEORGE EDGAR GUILFORD signed on the American merchant ship La Salle at Baboa, the Pacific side port of the Panama Canal. On Sep. 26th, Cadet Guilford was on the unescorted ship as it left Balboa with a cargo of trucks, steel and ammunition, bound for Capetown, S. Africa via Cape Horn. The La Salle, however, never arrived at Capetown, and on Dec. 2, 1942, the ship was officially designated "Presumed Lost."

The fate of the SS La Salle and her complement of 60 men remained a mystery until after the war when German naval records revealed the facts. On the afternoon of Nov 7, 1942, German submarine U-159 spotted the ship and began shadowing it. During the five hour pursuit, a torpedo had been fired but missed. Now, at approximately 350 miles southeast of the Cape of Good Hope, the sub fired another torpedo and this one hit, igniting the ammunition. La Salle exploded, creating a huge fireball which completely destroyed the ship. The explosion was heard at Cape Point lighthouse, which was over 300 miles away.

There were 40 Merchant Mariners and 20 US Navy Armed Guards on board; none survived.


Searches for more information about the sinking of the La Salle yielded the following:

- La Salle – American steam merchant – on Uboat.net
- Wreck Site – La Salle
- South African Military History Society

” *The four Eisbär boats departed the Cape Town area in high spirits. Merten and Poske went directly to the mid-Atlantic; Witte and*

*Emmermann to rendezvous with tanker U-461. While on his way, Witte (U-159) sank two lone American ships. The first was La Salle, sunk on 7 November, loaded with ammunition; the torpedo ignited her cargo and the resulting blast was heard in Cape Town, 500 km away.*

- List of Shipwrecks November 1942

” *World War II: The cargo ship was torpedoed, causing her cargo of ammunition to explode, sinking her with the loss of all 60 crew in the South Atlantic 350 nautical miles (650 km) south east of the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa ( 40°00'S 21°30'E) by U-159 (Kriegsmarine).*

Since George Guilford was not enlisted in the military, he was not eligible for the Purple Heart. In 1943, the Merchant Marine Mariner's Medal was created.

” *The **Merchant Marine Mariner's Medal** is a decoration of the United States Merchant Marine. Because the Merchant Marine was not considered a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces, the Purple Heart was not available to Merchant Mariners; as such, the Mariner's Medal was established by an Act of Congress on 10 May 1943 to solve this dilemma.*

*Awarded only to members of the United States Merchant Marine, the Mariner's Medal recognizes seamen who were killed or wounded as a direct result of conflict against an opposing armed force; in specific, it was awarded to any seaman who while serving in a ship during a war period is wounded, suffers physical injury, or suffers through dangerous exposure as a result of an act of enemy of the United States. In the event any such seaman dies from the wounds or injuries before the award can*

*be made to him, the medal may be presented to the person named in the War Risk Policy as his beneficiary. 6,635 Mariner's Medals were awarded for service in the Second World War*

**[HTTPS://EN.WIKIPEDIA.ORG/WIKI/MERCHANT\\_MARINE\\_MARINER%27S\\_MEDAL](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Merchant_Marine_Mariner%27s_Medal)**

George Guilford was killed prior to the creation of the Mariner's Medal. This medal was awarded posthumously.



*Mariner's Medal Awarded Posthumously to Marine*

*George Edward Guilford, Cadet Midshipman, U.S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps, was awarded the Mariner's Medal, posthumously, November 29, and the medal will be presented to his mother, Mrs. Hazel Guilford, Centralia. Guilford is one of the Kansans who have received the Mariner's Medal. The Centralia youth was lost at sea as a result of enemy action against the SS LaSalle, from which he was reported missing, as were all hands, on date of September 26, 1942.*

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# Jonathan and Mary (Arnold) Fisk

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: FISK

## Jonathan Fisk

**Jonathan Fisk** was born on 3 Sep 1780.

On 25 Sep 1825 he was an elected as a 'lister and appraiser' for Hinckley Township in Medina, Ohio, United States.

On 28 Dec 1825 he was a justice of the peace in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

In 1828, Jonathan was in Medina, Ohio, United States.

He lived in Hinckley Township, Medina, Ohio, United States in 1830.

Jonathan Fisk was listed as a head of household on the 1830 census in Hinkley Township, Medina County, Ohio with 1 male aged 5-9; 1 male aged 20-29; 1 male aged 50-59; 1 female aged 5-9; 2 females aged 10-14; 1 female aged 40-49.

He lived in Cuyahoga County, Ohio about 1831.

Jonathan lived in Seville, Medina County, Ohio in 1832.

He purchased 33 acres from Justin Ely on 21 Nov 1835 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1836 in Parma, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

Jonathan sold land being 2 acres to Jasper Kyser on 9 Mar 1837 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

He sold land being about 33 acres to Joseph Kilborn on 1 Sep 1837 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

He lived in Parma township, Cuyahoga County, Ohio in 1840. Jonathan Fisk was listed as a head of household on the 1840 census in Parma Township, Cuyahoga County, Ohio with 1 male aged 60-69, 1 female aged 15-19 and 1 female aged 60-69. Jonathan Fisk was employed in agriculture.

Jonathan died on 9 Apr 1857 at the age of 76 in New York, United States.

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## 2584

(VII) HORATIO HAMMOND, (Jason<sup>6</sup>) b. Bolton, Conn., Oct. 24, 1798 ; d. Ontario, Ill., Nov. 9, 1879 ; m. April 14, 1825, Louisa Fisk, b. Watertown, N. Y., August 5, 1806 ; d. August 17, 1874, dau. of Jonathan and Mary (Arnold) Fisk. She was a sister of his brother, Theodore's, second wife.

Soon after his marriage he settled on a farm of his own about a mile west of Bath, O. Later he and his cousin, Royal Hammond, conducted a store at Hammond's Corners. From here he removed, May 24, 1839, to Alexandria, O., where he engaged in milling flour and also had a saw mill. In June, 1848, he sold his property at Alexandria and removed to Ontario, Ill., where he resided until death.

He was active in school and church work and was a deacon in the Congregational Church. He, with his brother, Lewis, and Jonathan Hale were the first directors of the public school at Bath, O. In 1876 he published a small pamphlet genealogy of the family, in which he took great interest.

## Mary Arnold

**Mary Arnold** was born in 1778 in New York, United States.

She lived in Victoria, Knox, Illinois, United States in 1860. Mary Fisk was listed as an 81 year old female in the household of John Palmer, aged 40, living in Victoria, Knox County, Illinois on the 1860 census.

She died on 24 Oct 1862 at the age of 84 in Ontario Township, Knox, Illinois, United States.

Mary was buried at Ontario Cemetery in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States.

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# RootsMagic Groups

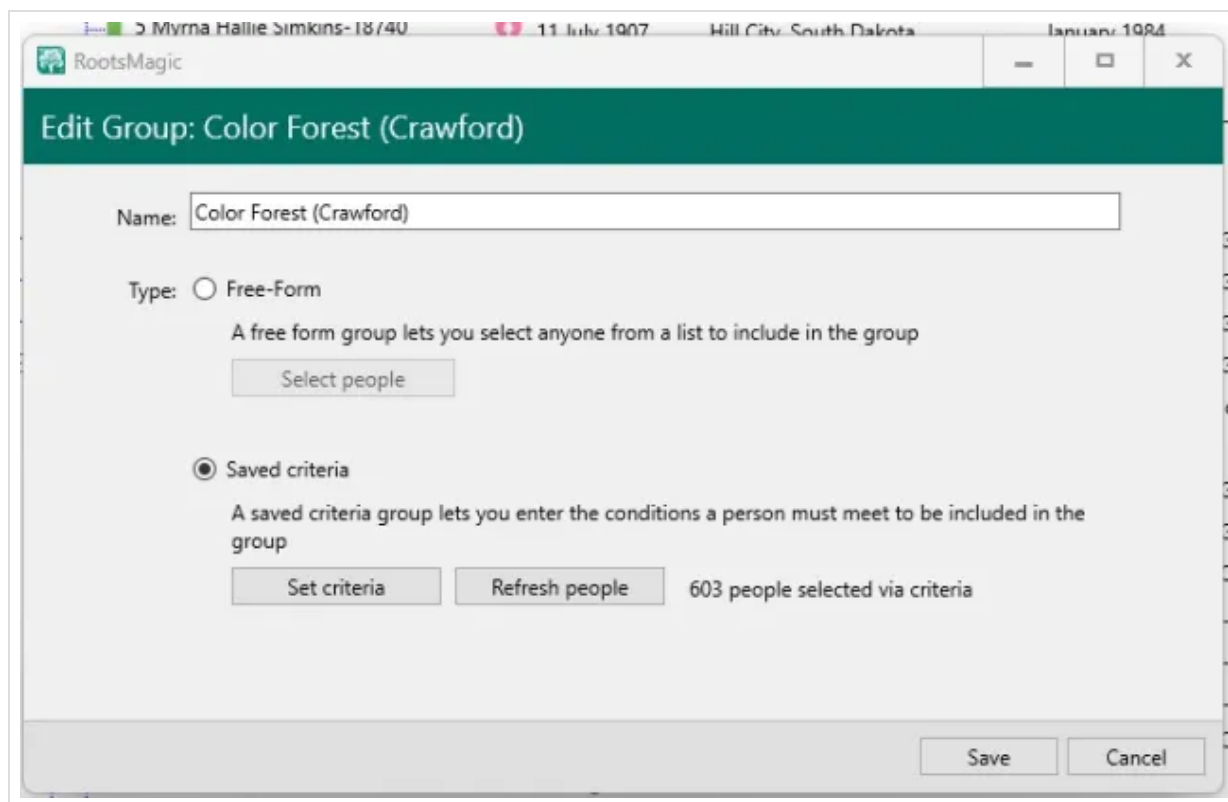
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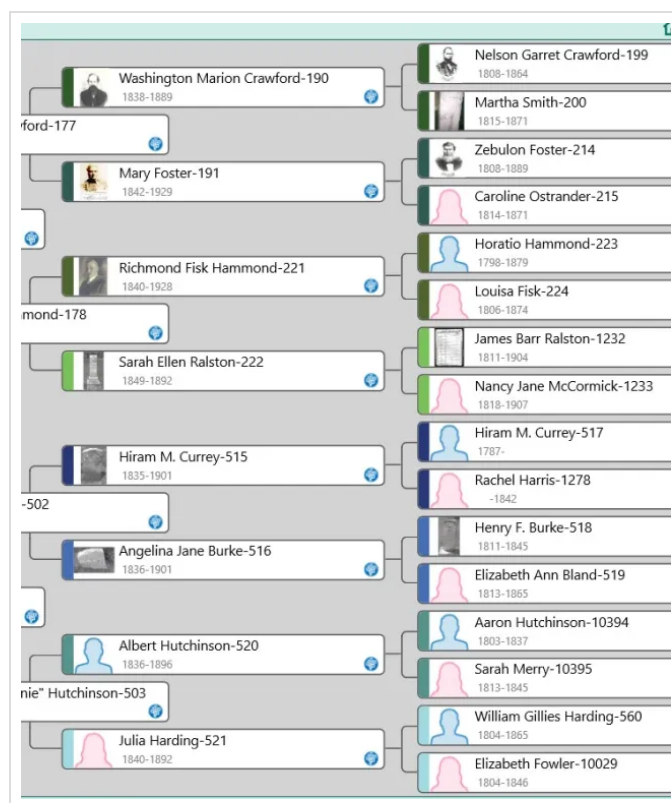
Do you ever want to see/print a list of people in your RootsMagic file from a certain location? If you use color coding, do you ever want to see a list of people with a specific color? If so, have you used the GROUPS feature in RootsMagic?

Over the past few years, I have created quite a few groups. Most recently, I have been creating groups based on color coding. For example, descendants of my earliest known Crawford (James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio) are color coded Forest green.



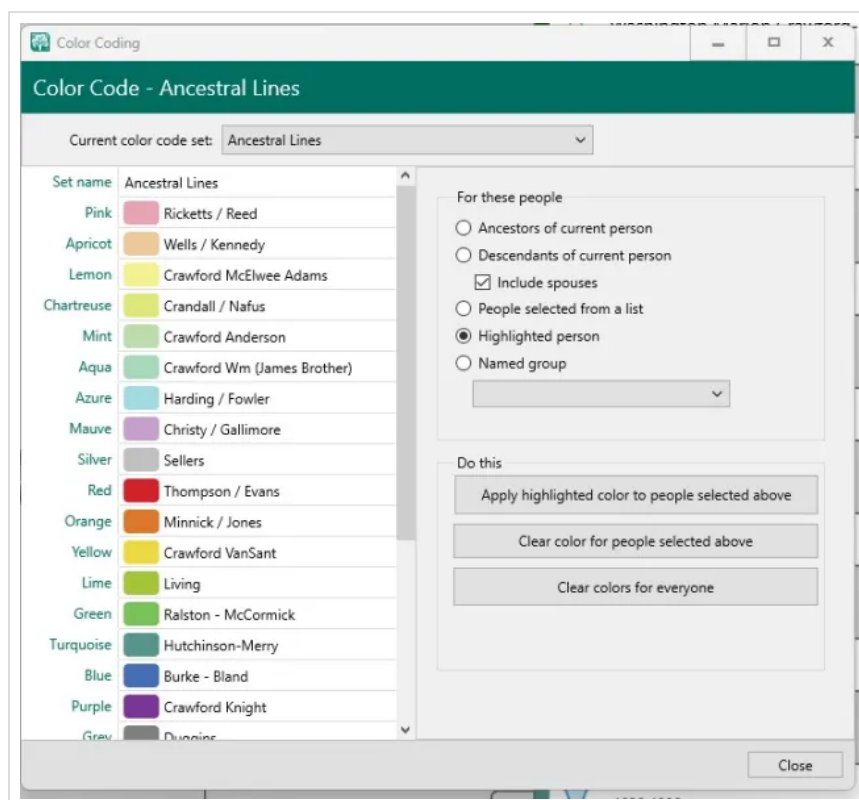
RootsMagic 9 introduced the 'Saved Criteria' type of group. With this type of group, I can create the group and then easily 'REFRESH' the group after I've done research that would add new people to the group.

For my groups based on color coding, I have assigned colors based on my 3rd great grandparent couples. Descendants of that couple are then color coded accordingly. (Descendants of my parents, grandparents and great-grandparents are coded based on the male line they descend from. Thus, I have to be careful when color coding descendants of 2nd, 3rd, 4th great grandparents so I don't 'overwrite' the colors of the closer generations.)

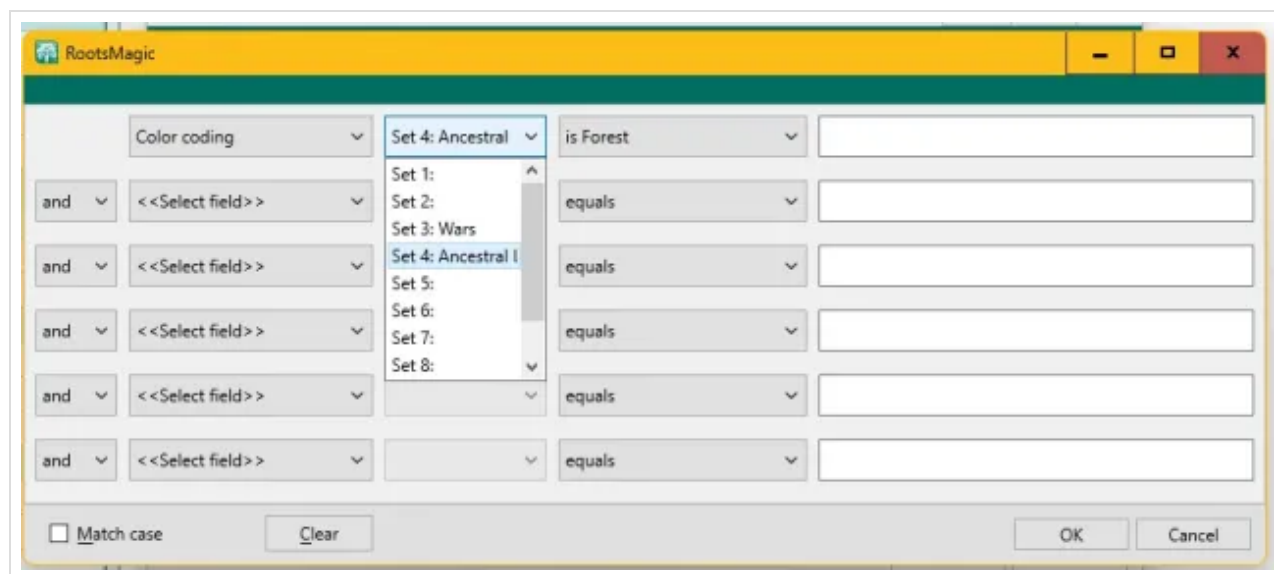


I've used 'extra' colors to color code some of the 'floating trees' in my file. For example, I have assigned different colors for each of the 'other' James Crawford lines in my file and for the Alexander Crawford/Mary McPheeters line in my file.





Thus, my Color Forest (Crawford) group uses the color coding field to select those using my 4th set of codes called Ancestral Lines to search for those with the FOREST color applied.



Since I have used the 'SAVED CRITERIA' method of creating the group, I only have to click the REFRESH PEOPLE button to update the members of the group. This ability to refresh a group makes it easier to use these groups and to make sure the members reflect any newly added people.

As I'm in the process of updating my research of my 4th great grandparents, I'm wanting to use county histories to see if I can find biographies of a descendant that sheds more light on these 4th great grandparents. This process is easier because of the work of Linda Stufflebeam to create a list of the county histories for each state. While I know the surnames of my 4th great grandparents, I don't know the surnames of all of the descendants of that couple. Nor, do I know which ones lived in a specific county. This is where RootsMagic's group feature will prove valuable.

I'm currently researching my RALSTON family line. Since Ralston descendants and my HAMMOND line lived in Knox County, Illinois, I had previously created a group. Since this group was created in a previous version of RootsMagic, it used the Free-Form method of creation.

RootsMagic

### Edit Group: Knox County IL

Name:

Type: ☒ Free-Form

A free form group lets you select anyone from a list to include in the group

140 people manually selected

☐ Saved criteria

A saved criteria group lets you enter the conditions a person must meet to be included in the group

I just discovered that I can switch this group to a 'Saved Criteria' group (which allows me to quickly update it) by just clicking on Saved Criteria.

RootsMagic

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 A free form group lets you select anyone from a list to include in the group

☒ Saved criteria  
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  140 people selected via criteria

Making that switch does require me to SET CRITERIA. Clicking on the Set Criteria button allows me to select the field “Any Fact” and then indicate that I want the place field to contain Knox, Illinois.

RootsMagic

Any fact place contains Knox, Illinois

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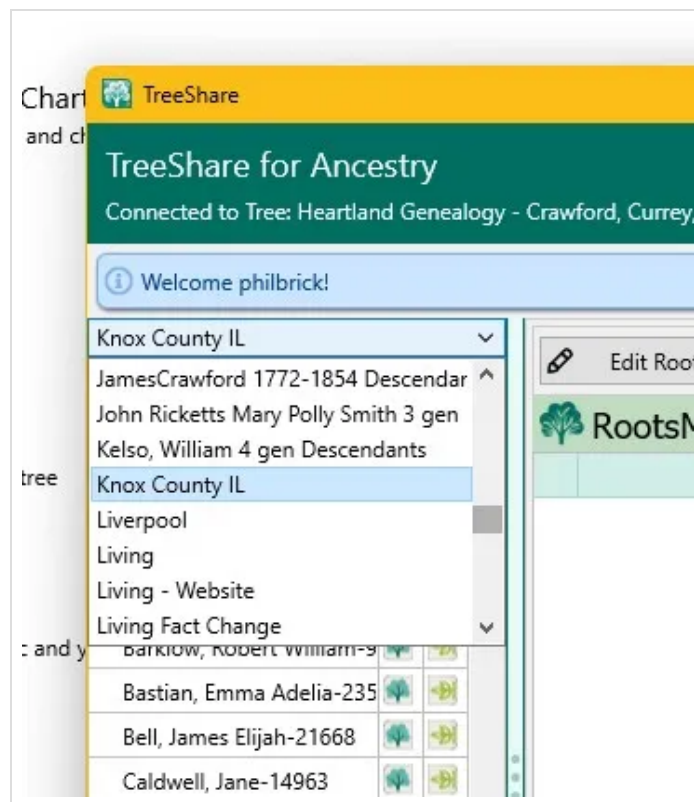
and <<Select field>> equals

☐ Match case

Clicking OK searched my file for any place containing “Knox, Illinois” and found 158 people with such a place. Now as I add additional people in this county, I simply have to refresh this group to include those new additions.

Once the group is created, I can use it in several ways:

- Ancestry Tree Share – Selecting the group (I use my color code groups a lot in TreeShare)



- Print an 'Individual List' report using the group. While I tend to not 'print' reports, this is an interesting one in that it lists all of the people in my group, their facts, their spouse(s) and their children.

RootsMagic

## Individual List

Choose report settings, then click "Generate Report"

Settings

Title

Individual List

List type

Selected people

Include?

Everyone

Information to include

Facts

☒ Facts for each person

Parents

☒ Parents of each person

Spouses

☒ Spouses of each person

Children

☒ Children of each person

Other

Place details

☒ Print place details

Private facts

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Select People

Include which people?

Selected people

Knox County IL

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Kelso, William 4 gen Descendants

Knox County IL

Liverpool

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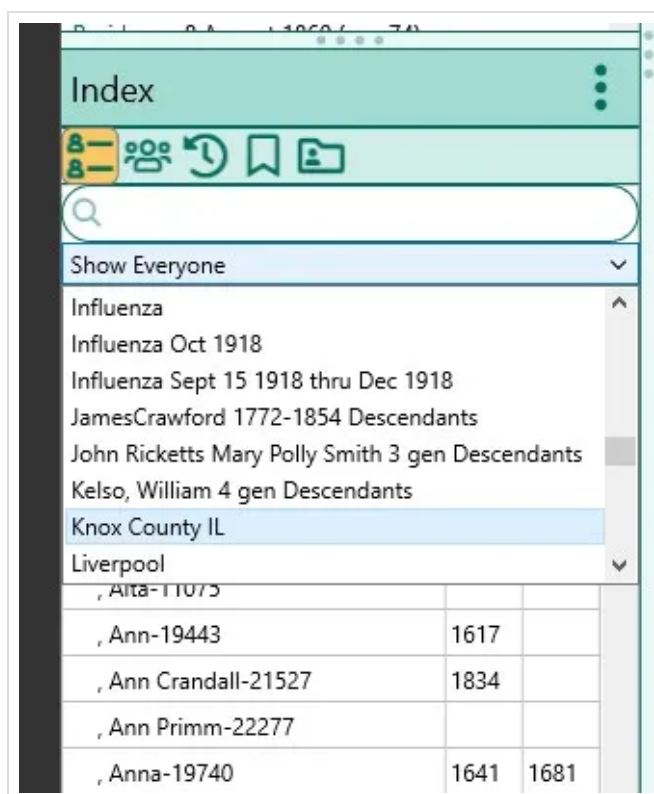
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Individual List 10 August 2023

Parents	James Barr Ralston-1232 and Nancy Jane McCormick-1233
Spouse	Deleven Barnes-10847
Child	Mabel Barnes-11584 1879-1879
Child	Mary Jane Barnes-11585 1880-1971
Child	George Stephen Barnes-11609 1881-1953
Child	Henry Martin Barnes-11586 1883-1962
Child	John Ellis Ransom Barnes-11587 1887-1961
Child	Lloyd William Barnes-11588 1888-1941
Child	Jessie Sybil Barnes-11589 1890-1978
Child	Hazel Estelle Barnes-11590 1891-1947
Child	Stanley Stowe Barnes-11591 1898-1965
<b>Ralston, Matilda-1235 (F)</b>	
Birth	2 August 1840 in Pennsylvania, United States
Residence	a 10 year old female born Pennsylvania and was listed as Matilda Ralston; 1 July 1850 in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States (age 9)
Residence	a 19 year old female born Pennsylvania and was listed as Matilda Ralston; 10 July 1860 in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States (age 19)
Residence	8 June 1870 in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States (age 29)
Residence	a 42 year old female school teacher who was born in Pennsylvania and was listed as Matilda Ralston; 1 July 1880 in Grundy, Iowa, United States (age 39)
Residence	as a 42 year old female born in Pennsylvania who was listed as Matilda Ralston; 1885 in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States (about age 45)
Residence	1895 in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States (about age 55)
Residence	a 54 year old single female born August 1846 in Pennsylvania and was listed as Matilda J. Ralston; 12 June 1900 in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States (age 59)
Death	8 September 1900 in Grundy, Iowa, United States (age 60)
Burial	after 8 September 1900 in Alice Union Cemetery, Grundy, Iowa, United States (after age 60)
Parents	James Barr Ralston-1232 and Nancy Jane McCormick-1233
<b>Ralston, Melvina Jane-18837 (F)</b>	
Residence	1900 in Richland Grove Township, Mercer, Illinois, United States (about age 0)
Birth	29 May 1900 in Mercer, Illinois, United States
Residence	1910 in Richland Grove Township, Mercer, Illinois, United States (about age 10)
Residence	1920 in Richland Grove Township, Mercer, Illinois, United States (about age 20)
Residence	1956 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States (about age 56)
Residence	1987 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States (about age 87)
Death	28 December 1987 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States (age 87)
Parents	Ralph M Ralston-11507 and Alice Mae Wilson-18836
Spouse	George Washington McNeil-18841
Child	Mabel May McNeil-18847 1920-2010
Child	Alice Lajane McNeil-18846 1923-2012
Child	Robert Dean McNeil-18844 1924-1994
Child	Lillian Ione McNeil-18842 1926-1969
Child	George W. McNeil-18843 1929-1987
Child	Wayne Leroy "Bud" McNeil-18845 1932-2017
Spouse	Walter Charles Hofer-20843
Child	Vivian Martha Hofer-20844 1919-2000
<b>Ralston, Minnie-7819 (F)</b>	
Birth	May 1874 in Conrad, Grundy, Iowa, United States
Residence	a 6 year old female born Iowa and was listed as Minnie Ralston; 1 July 1880 in Grundy, Iowa, United States (about age 6)
Residence	1885 in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States (about age 11)
Residence	1900 in Elba Township, Knox, Illinois, United States (about age 26)
Residence	1910 in Elba Township, Knox, Illinois, United States (about age 36)
Residence	1915 in Rome Township, Jones, Iowa, United States (about age 41)

- Change the 'index' of people from Everyone to my Knox County group. This gives me a scrollable list of everyone in the group.

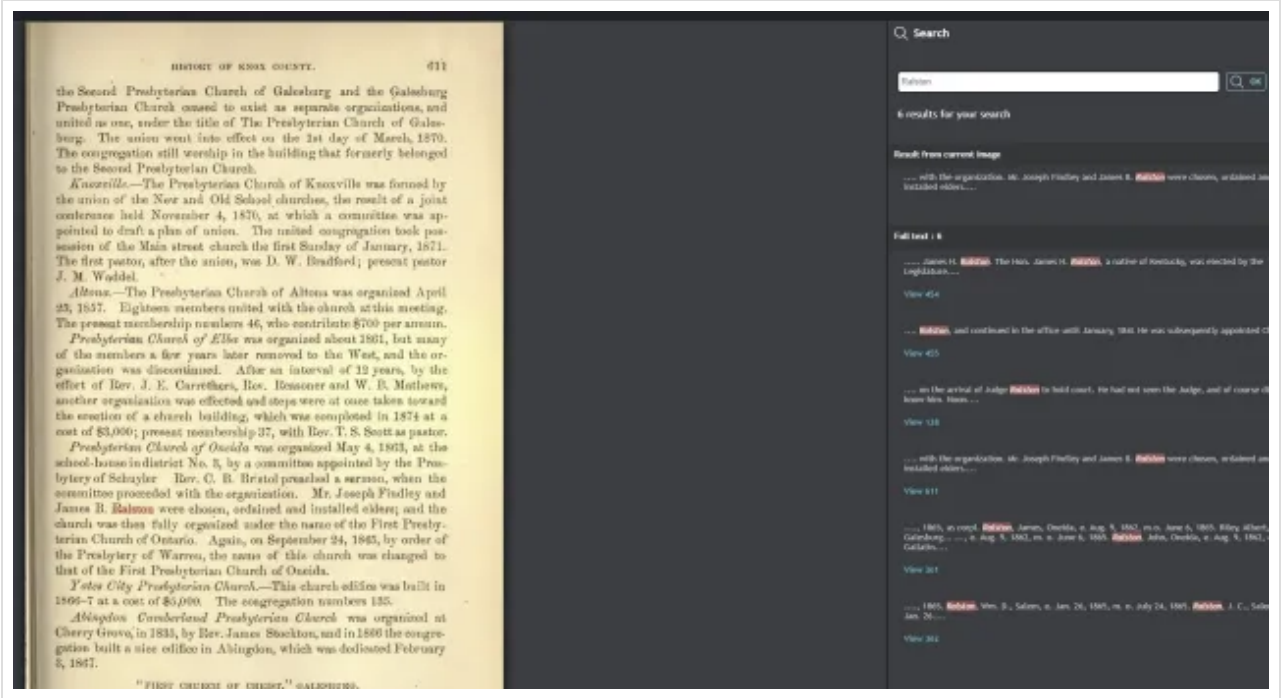


The screenshot shows the 'Index' page of the Heartland Genealogy website, specifically the 'Knox County IL' category. The table lists names, birth years, and death years.

Name	Born	Died
Ralston, Alicia Melinda-1241	1857	1935
Ralston, Amanda-1234	1838	1923
Ralston, David Franklin-1238	1847	1928
Ralston, Ellis Simpkins-1239	1851	1915
Ralston, Iris Irene-18838	1915	2010
Ralston, James Barr-1232	1811	1904
Ralston, James McCormick-1237	1845	1931
Ralston, John Nelson-1236	1842	1863
Ralston, Margaret-1240	1854	1916
Ralston, Matilda-1235	1840	1900
Ralston, Melvina Jane-18837	1900	1987
Ralston, Minnie-7819	1874	1956
Ralston, Sarah Ellen-222	1849	1892

This scrollable list provides the surnames that I can use to search the online county histories. My Knox County, IL group contains the obvious Hammond and Ralston surnames. A search for the Ralston surname in one of the county histories found a small detail about my ancestor James B Ralston.



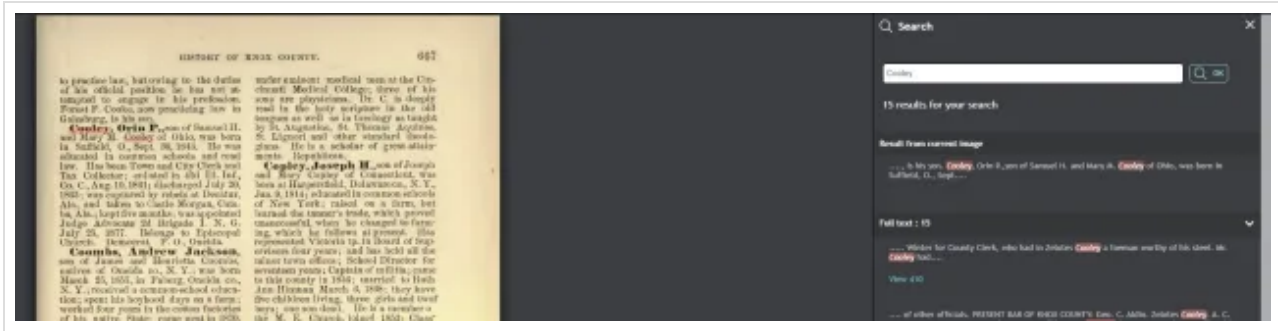


Without the list of group members, I would not have realized that I needed to search for the COOLEY surname.

A screenshot of a digital archive interface showing a list of names and birth/death dates. The interface includes a search bar and a list of results. The results are organized into a table with columns for Name, Born, and Died. The table lists several individuals, including Chapman, Francis Lathrop, Cooley, Samuel Horatio, Davis, Louisa E., Deal, Francis, and Deal, Henrietta. The Cooley entry is highlighted in blue.

Name	Born	Died
Chapman, Charles-17210	1889	
Chapman, Francis Lathrop-17209	1851	1893
Cooley, Samuel Horatio-21606	1817	1908
Davis, Louisa E.-17217	1859	
Deal, Francis-6520	1792	1860
Deal, Henrietta-6528	1835	1856

And that search turned up a short biography of Orrin V. Cooley, a descendant of Jason Hammond and Rachel Hale.



THANK YOU RootsMagic developers for the GROUPS feature and for the ability to easily update (refresh) such groups. Also, THANKS to Linda Stufflebeam for her work to create the list of county histories! Now I have a lot of work to do researching my RALSTON line across 4 states.

For more info about the color coding and groups features, check out these videos:





<https://youtube.com/watch?v=fmXK-HanLAQ>





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# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: MENTZER

Do you have photocopies of pages from county histories in your files? Have you ever tried to find those same county histories as a digitized version?

While updating citations for my 3rd great grandfather, Phillip Andrew Mentzer, there was a very messy citation to the book, History of Woodson and Allen Counties. Not only do I have a photocopy of a couple of pages from the book, but I had transcribed that information into the messy citation.

In hopes of crafting a better citation, I searched Google to see whether I could locate a digital copy of the book. And I found several.

- Ancestry
- Library of Congress
- Google Books
- FamilySearch
- Internet Archive

Thus, I was able to create a new citation and copy/paste the transcription into this new citation. Unfortunately, I was not able to replace all of the old messy citations with this new more detailed citation. That has to be done one citation at a time.

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*The last named was reared in his native village until sixteen years of age, when he emigrated to Illinois and became a farm hand, being employed in that capacity for about two years. He then went to Chicago, where he secured a situation as clerk in a grocery store, also acting as assistant in a butchering establishment. Upon leaving the city he returned to Massachusetts to visit his mother and while there he learned the trade of a comb maker, the combs being manufactured from the horns of cattle. He also improved his literary education by attending school. He was still in his native state when the Civil war broke out and there he enlisted as a member of Company C. Twenty-fourth Massachusetts infantry, which was sent to Annapolis and on to North Carolina and thence to South Carolina, being discharged in front of Petersburg, Virginia. Among the important engagements in which he participated were the battles of Roanoke Island, Newberne, White Hall Goldsboro, Kingston, Bermuda Hundred and Petersburg. He did duty in front of the Rebel fort which was blown up by a Pennsylvania regiment. In all of his three years' service he was never wounded, but was always found at his post of duty faithfully detending the starry bannerthe emblem of an undivided union.*

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**HISTORY OF ALLEN AND WOODSON COUNTIES KANSAS (IOLA, KANSAS: IOLA REGISTER, PRINTERS AND BINDERS, 1901), PAGE 712; DIGITAL IMAGES, ANCESTRY.COM, HTTP://WWW.ANCESTRY.COM VIEWED ONLINE 3 SEPTEMBER 2023.**

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# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. TO avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from Sept 9, 2023*

- 1351 Halsey McLaughlin Ce
- 1352 Russell F. Allen Ce
- 1353 Leonard Andrew Adams We
- 1354 George Lee Miller Sa
- 1355 Raymond N. Buser We
- 1356 Raymond V. Savage Co
- 1357 Gerard B. Houlton Ba
- 1358 Raphael P. Broxterman Ba
- 1359 Philip Andrew Smith Se
- 1360 Otis Rex Nutter Se
- 1361 Richard F. Moorhead Sa
- 1362 Frederick Henry Keehn Go
- 1363 August J. Glissman Se
- 1364 Japheth D. Walden Jr Onei
- 1365 Clyde Henry Meacham We
- 1366 Joseph B. Mohlman Se
- 1367 Joseph B. McCourt Sa
- 1368 Virgil Elmer Brockman Co
- 1369 Ernest Shumaker We
- 1370 Clarence Leo Thieme We
- 1371 Charles Arthur Frye Ce
- 1372 Marion Ross Moser Sa
- 1373 Vernon Nance Kistner Sa
- 1374 Roy Bunce Palmer sa
- 1375 Homer LeRoy Turner Onei
- 1376 James Ray Heiniger Onei



1377 Leonard Ralph Wade We  
1379 Paul B. Breitweiser Sa  
1380 LeRoy Art Van Dalsen Sa  
1381 Urie Berton Smirl Se  
1382 Maurice C. Taylor Se  
1383 Marvin E. Jellison Sa  
1384 Orville Franklin Yarger Sa  
1385 John Jerome Mulroy Go  
1386 Alfred B. Hasenkamp Ba  
1387 Homer K Burnes Ce  
1388 Alvie LeRoy Loveall We  
1389 Clarence E. Gerber Onei  
1390 Peter Alvin Dick Ba  
1391 Ottie Lynval Humphrey Go  
1392 Roland Reed Cordon Go  
1393 Virgil Bernhard Haug Ve  
1394 Henry B. Wichman Jr Se  
1395 Leonard Ralph Rockwell Sa  
1396 Joseph Hundley Sa  
1397 Edward Andrew Moser Be  
1398 Gerald Edwin Wiggins Go  
1399 Joseph Olberding Jr Se  
1400 Albert Joseph Wichman Se

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# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) If you have AncestryDNA ThruLines results, which set of 3rd great-grandparents has the most ThruLines? . Analyze your ThruLines from these ancestors. Are they all “correct?”**

While I haven't looked at ThruLines for a couple of weeks, the last time I looked, they were missing many many matches. Thus, I didn't expect to have reliable information to answer this prompt. However, they appear to be somewhat updated.

I wrote about my ThruLines data in May 2021. Thus, I have some data for comparisons. Since I manage tests for my siblings and a parent, I've recorded the numbers of matches for all four tests.

	May 2021				September 2023			
3rd Great Grandparents	Me	DC	TC	RB	Me	DC	TC	RB
Nelson Crawford	16	19	15		15	18	15	
Martha Smith	16	19	15		15	18	15	
Zebulon Foster	19	24	23		21	26	24	
Caroline Ostrander	19	24	23		21	26	34	
Haratio Hammond	23	31	30		24	31	35	
Louisa Fisk	23	31	30		24	31	35	
James Ralston	34	38	33		40	41	36	
Nancy McCormick	33	37	32		40	41	36	
Hiram Currey	18	8	19		16	12	18	
Rachel Harris	18	8	19		16	12	18	
Henry Burke	8	8	8		9	10	10	
Elizabeth Bland	8	8	8		9	10	10	
Aaron Hutchinson	29	26	26		37	34	35	
Sarah Merry	30	27	27		37	34	35	
William Harding	61	48	66		79	59	87	
Elizabeth Fowler	60	47	65		78	59	83	
Alexander Briles	18	19	17	21	23	24	23	26
Sarah Rush	19	21	20	23	23	24	23	26
William Thompson	10	14	12	13	12	18	15	17
Polly Evans	10	14	12	13	12	18	15	17
John Ricketts	11	11	10	12	14	13	12	15
Orilda Reed	11	11	10	12	14	13	12	15
Samuel Christy	17	17	16	23	22	26	20	32
Lyda Gallmore	13	14	12	15	19	25	18	26
Phillip Mentzer	22	28	25	28	32	36	33	39
Orinda Miles	3	3	3	3	32	36	33	39
John Minnick	18	16	16	19	25	22	22	26
Elizabeth Jones	18	16	16	19	25	22	22	26
Ozias Wells	28	21	26	37	38	31	34	49
Mary Kennedy	28	21	26	37	28	31	34	49
Lewis Crandall	16	16	12	16	21	22	17	22
Almira Nafus	16	16	12	16	21	22	17	22

Based on my results today, my ancestral couple William G. Harding and Elizabeth Fowler have the most ThruLines matches. If I only look at my mother's side of the tree, then my ancestral couple, Ozias Wells and Mary Kennedy have the most ThruLines matches.

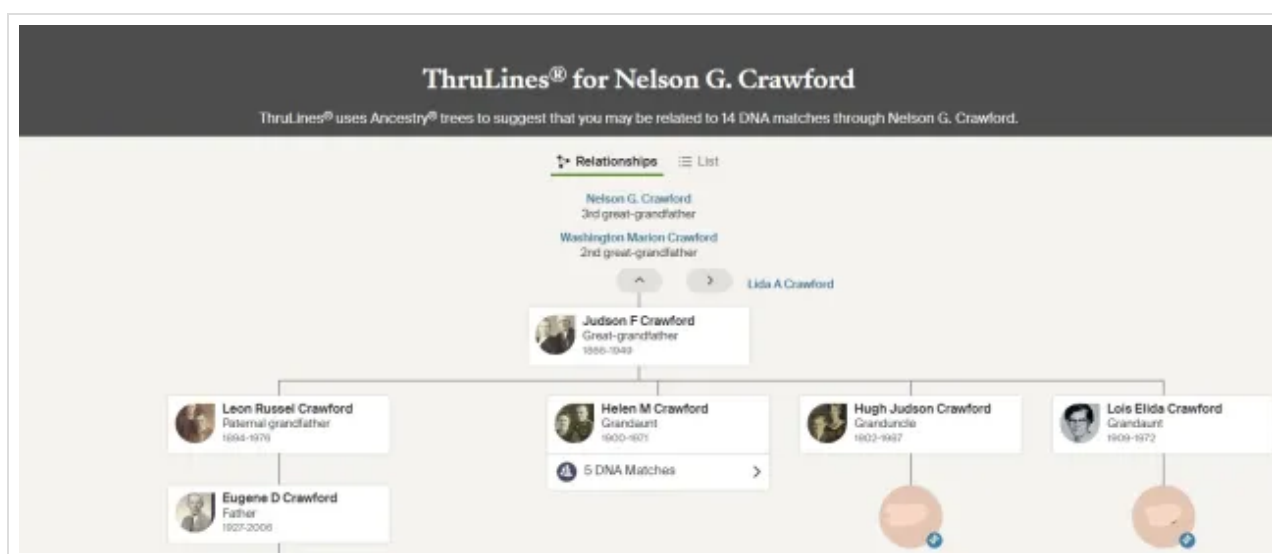
The second part of the prompt, ***Are They All Correct***, is a challenge to answer. In my opinion, answering that question for this many matches is almost impossible in the few hours I allow for writing this blog post. I also believe that answering that question requires that I have done research on the descendants of these third great grandparents.

Descendancy research is time consuming. However, I have done quite a bit of this research. Thus, my Ancestry tree contains many of these descendants. (Pictured is a view of descendants of my 2nd great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford and his wife Mary Foster.)



So, I will try to answer the question about correctness based on my knowledge of my tree. My first observation is that matches that are in my tree are MISSING from my ThruLines report. Since I've been fortunate to have lots of close cousins test, I recognize their names in my list of matches and have many of them linked in my tree.

When I look at my ThruLines report for Nelson G. Crawford, and work down to my great grandparents, it is obvious to me that I'm missing some identified matches. Hugh Judson Crawford has at least 2 descendants on my match list and Lois Elida Crawford has at least 3 descendants on my match list. ThruLines currently only shows 1 descendant in each of these lines. Since all of these matches are linked in my tree, I would assume that they would show up on ThruLines. Thus, an obvious (to me) error.



The other error that I found was in my HARDING line. My ancestor, William G. Harding has a son named Abel Harding (1888-1906). ThruLines found 7 matches thru this Abel Harding. However, it is trying to place another Abel Harding (1834-1920) as a son of William G. Harding. I believe this other Abel Harding (1834-1920) is a son of Abel G. Harding and Ann Nase and a nephew of William G. Harding.



If I click on Abel G Harding it takes me to his profile on my matches tree. This profile is well documented and agrees with what I have in my tree for this Abel G. Harding.

**Abel Guilford Harding Capt**  
BIRTH: 24 MAR 1834 • Westfield, Kings, New Brunswick, Canada  
DEATH: 7 SEPT 1920 • Racine, Racine, Wisconsin, USA

LifeStory Facts Gallery

**Facts**

Name  
Abel Guilford Harding Capt  
22 sources

Gender  
Male

1834 (AGE)  
Birth  
24 Mar 1834 • Westfield, Kings, New Brunswick, Canada  
7 sources

1849  
Arrival  
1849  
1 source

1858  
Residence  
1858 • Racine, Wisconsin, USA  
1 source

1860  
Residence  
1860 • Somers, Kenosha, Wisconsin, United States  
1 source

1861  
Marriage  
05 May 1861 • Racine, Racine, Wisconsin, USA  
Mary Elizabeth Gallien (1839-1895)

**Sources**

Ancestry sources

- 1860 United States Federal Census
- 1870 United States Federal Census
- 1880 United States Federal Census
- 1890 Veterans Schedules
- 1900 United States Federal Census
- 1910 United States Federal Census
- 1920 United States Federal Census
- Ancestry Family Trees

**Family**

Parents

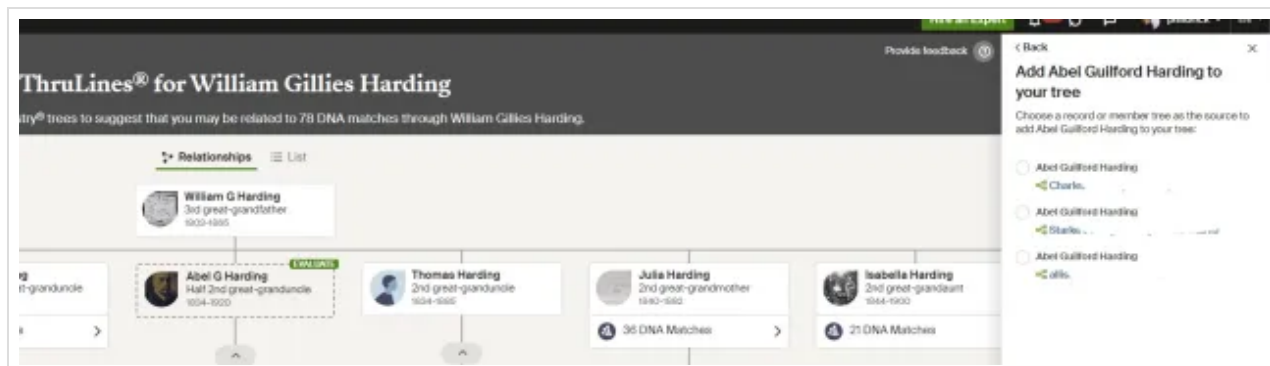
- ABEL GUILFORD HARDING 1799-1881
- ANNA NASE 1799-1868

Siblings

Spouse and children

- Mary Elizabeth Gallien 1839-1895
- Clara Jane Harding 1863-1927
- Edwin Ralph Harding 1863-1938
- Harold "Harry" G. Harding 1865-1888
- Guy G. Harding 1867-1893
- William Albert Abel "Will" Harding 1872-1948
- Mae Evelyn Elizabeth Harding 1874-1897

If I were to click on the EVALUATE button, it tells me that there are several trees with this Abel Harding in them. Clicking next, it then wants me to add Abel Harding to my tree citing one of these trees as a source.



Since I already have this Abel G. Harding in my tree as a nephew to William G. Harding, I have no desire to add him. Unfortunately, I could not find an option to reject this DNA suggestion.

While I only looked at my own matches to check for correctness, these were the only 'obvious' errors I found.

Thanks to my descendency research, I was able to not only spot the error but to also realize that some of my matches are missing from my ThruLines.

# DNA Suggests Merge

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

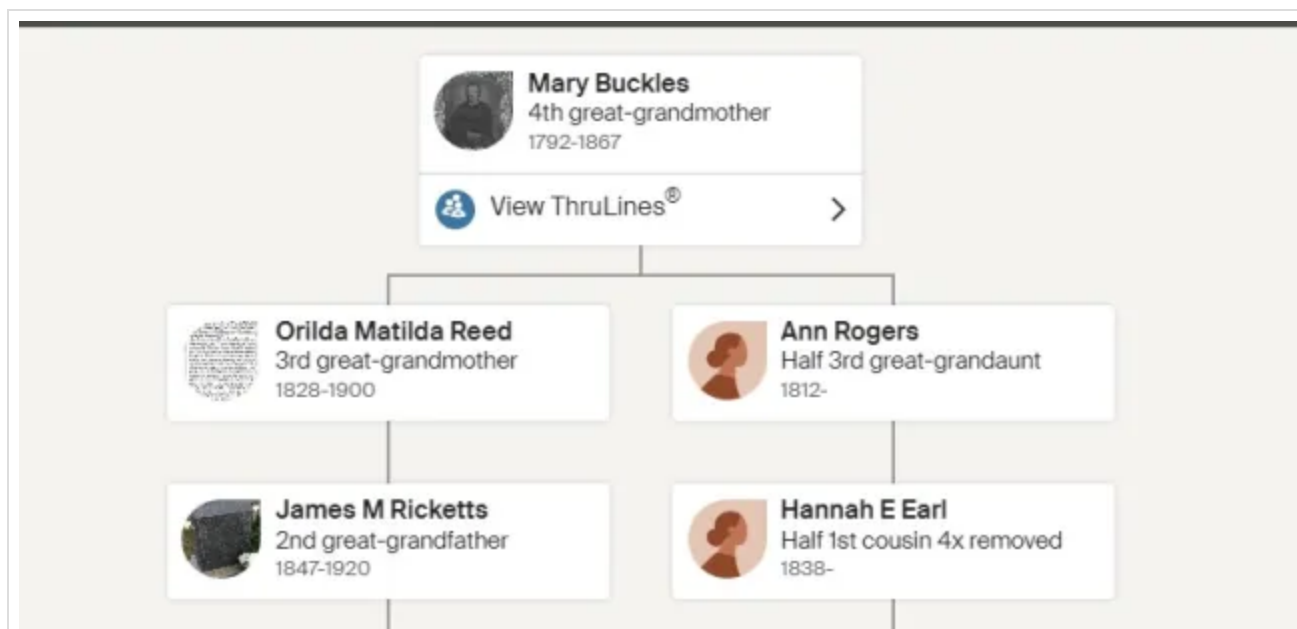
/ CATEGORIES: DNA, INDIANA, REED, THRULINES

Do you unknowingly have the same person in your tree twice? I have to admit that I likely have several duplicates in my tree.

I recently read a blog post about a different approach to tackling descendancy research. In the post, [Keeping on Track with DNA](#), in Jacqi Stevens A Family Tapestry blog, she comments about how she is using DNA to guide her descendancy research.

” *That’s why I’ve developed a second, faster approach to provide information up front as needed. Rather than researching every single line of every sibling in each generation, I’ve used my DNA matches as my guide.*

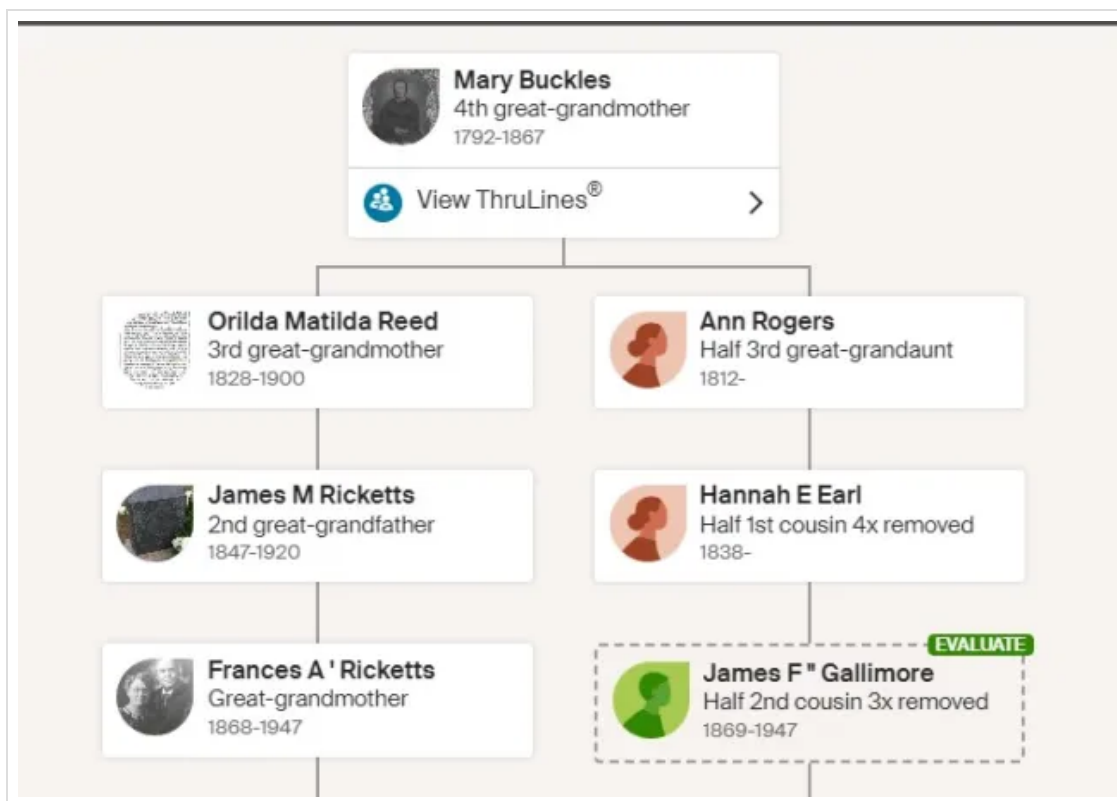
After reading this post, I decided to try this with some of my unidentified common ancestor matches. I share 84 cM across 4 segments with one of those matches. When I look at how Ancestry suggests we are related, it goes back to Mary Buckles as a common ancestor.



Mary Rogers married my ancestor, John Reed in 1822 in Jennings County, Indiana. Over the years, I've been able to document that Mary Rogers was the widow of John Rogers and that her maiden name was BUCKLES. Mary Buckles is my 4th great grandmother. The fact that we share 84 cM suggests that we are more closely related than a half 4th cousin once removed relationship thru Mary Buckles.

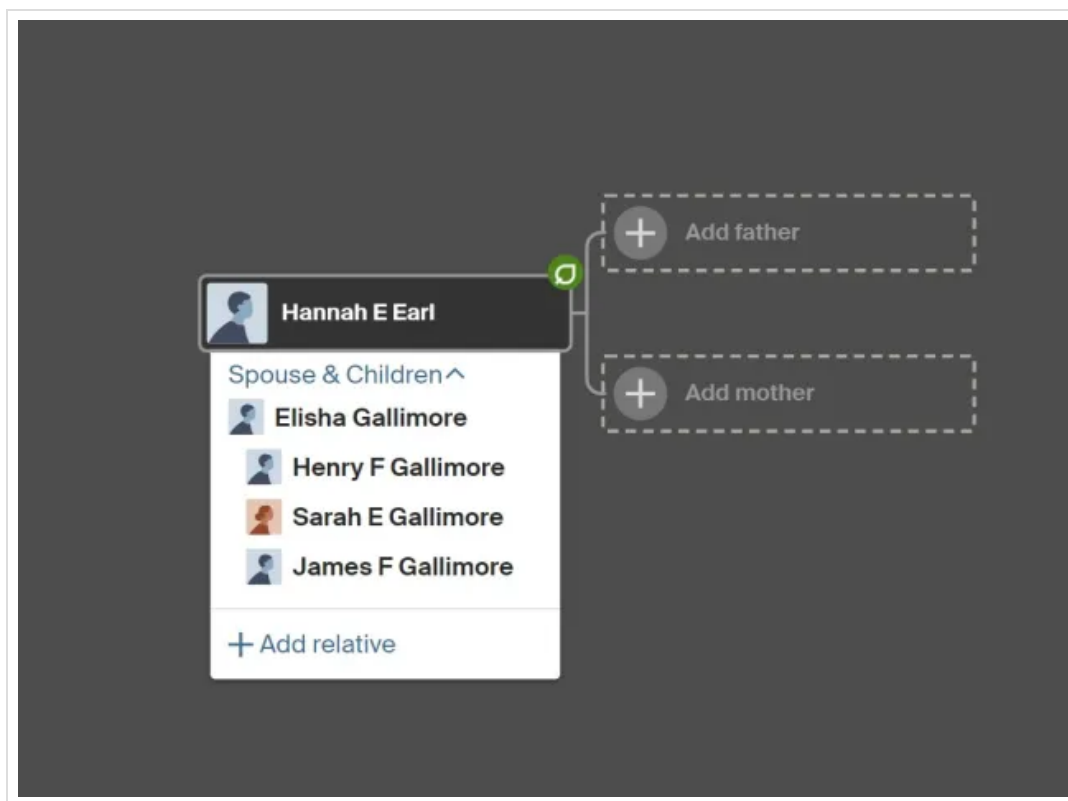
Since this particular match only has 7 people in their tree, figuring out how we are actually related might prove difficult. However, Ancestry is providing a HINT that likely helps figure out our relationship.





While I did have Hannah Earl in my file as the daughter of Ann Rogers and Edward Earl, I did not have a husband attached to her. But the surname of Hannah's son caught my attention: Gallimore. One of my other 4th great grandparents is Isom Gallimore. And I seem to have inherited more than my share of Gallimore DNA since I have 106 Gallimore matches on ThruLines.

Using the James F. Gallimore hint, I found I had a Hannah E Earl in my tree married to Elisha Gallimore. I have a James F. Gallimore as one of their children.



Knowing that I had to find sources to support Hannah Earl, daughter of Ann Rogers being the wife of Elisha Gallimore, I started working my way thru hints for Hannah Earl, Elisha Gallimore and James F Gallimore. Since the 1880 census places 11 year old James F. Gallimore in the household of James Rogers and his wife Arrilda, I have support for Hannah Earl being both the granddaughter of Mary Buckles Rogers and wife of Elisha Gallimore.

# James F. Gallimore

## in the 1880 United States Federal Census

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### Detail Source

Name	James F. Gallimore
Age	11
Birth Date	Abt 1869
Birthplace	Indiana
Home in 1880	Washington, Hamilton, Indiana, USA
Dwelling Number	379
Race	White
Gender	Male
Relation to Head of House	Nephew
Marital Status	Single
Father's Birthplace	Ohio
Mother's Birthplace	Indiana
Occupation	At Home
Attended School	Yes
Neighbors	<a href="#">View others on page</a>

Household Members (Name)	Age	Relationship
James Rogers	37	Self (Head)
Arrilda M. Rogers	35	Wife
Lonetta E. Rogers	13	Daughter
Anna M. Rogers	10	Daughter
Sarah A. J. Rogers	8	Daughter
Laura B. Rogers	4	Daughter
Burges M. Rogers	1	Son
Sarah Gallimore	15	Niece
James F. Gallimore	11	Nephew

James Rogers, the head of this 1880 household is the nephew of Ann Rogers Earl and thus a first cousin to Hannah Earl Gallimore. This census record suggests that James Rogers took in his niece and nephew, Sarah and James F. Gallimore.

Based on the records found, I have concluded that the Hannah Earl, daughter of Anne Rogers and Edward Earl in my database is the same person as Hannah Earl, wife of Elisha Gallimore. Thus, I am merging the two women named Hannah Earl together.

While I might have discovered this duplication in my tree thru my regular descendancy research, it is doubtful. I believe it was this suggested DNA relationship that helped me discover the need to merge these two Hannah Earls.

# William Earl Guilford

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, PURPLE HEART, WORLD WAR II

## Purple Heart Recipient

William Earl Guilford was listed as Earl Guilford as a graduate of Centralia high school on May 17, 1943. Having turned 18 in the month of June, William Earl Guilford registered with the Nemaha County draft board. Then in August, 1943,



*Centralians in Service*

*Earl Guilford reported at Fort Leavenworth August 10 for physical examination for induction into the army*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 12 AUG 1943, PAGE 2**



*In the group which left Seneca for Fort Leavenworth August 10, all from Centralia passed the examination. Charles McGhee and Melvin Hochard were accepted into the navy, and will return for service Thursday August 19th. Earl Guilford and Harry Meers were accepted into the army and will have twenty-one days furlough before reporting for active services.*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA KS) 16 AUG 1943 PAGE 1**



### *Centralians in Service*

*Earl Guilford and Harry Meers will report to Leavenworth Thursday for service in the army They have had their furlough and will go for training.*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 2 SEP 1943, PAGE 2**



### *Centralians in Service*

*Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford are enjoying a visit from their son, Pvt. Earl Guilford, who has completed his basic training at Camp Fannin, Texas and will report next week in Maryland for further training.*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 6 MAR 1944, PAGE 4**



### *Centralia*

*Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford also received a cable of the safe arrival of their son, Pvt. Earl Guilford.*

**COURIER-TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 17 APR 1944, PAGE 4**



### *Centralia*

*Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford also received word from their son, Earl. He was in the trenches in France.*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 13 JUL 1944 PAGE 6**

” *Centralia*

*Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford received further word that their son, Pvt. Earl Guilford, was killed September 16, in Germany*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 12 OCT 1944, PAGE 6**

According to the History of the First Infantry Division (William Guilford's unit),

” *By September 1944, the 1st Infantry Division had reached the German frontier and breached the vaunted Siegfried Line. The division then led the attack to isolate and seize the city of Aachen, the first German city to fall to the Allied armies.*

” *Citation Awarded by President Roosevelt*

*“In grateful memory of Private William Earl Guilford, 37538356, who died in the service of his country in the European area, on Sept. 16, 1944. He stands in the unbroken line of patriot who have dared to die, that freedom might live and grow, and increase its blessings. Freedom lives, and through it, he lives — in a way that humbles the undertakings of most men. — Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States”*

*This citation was received by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford last week. Also a citation from Henry L. Stimson, Sec. of war, that the Gov't has*

*awarded the Purple Heart to William Earl Guilford posthumously, to be received by the parents later. They also received the Mariner's Medal last week which was awarded posthumously to their other son, Cadet Midshipman George Edgar Guilford, reported missing with all hands on his ship, the SS LaSalle, on Sept. 26, 1942. George is one of three Kansas awarded this medal. George was 21 years of age and Earl was 19.*

*It is with solemn pride that the people of Centralia community look upon these awards and realize at what cost to the Guilford family the offerings were laid upon the Altar of Liberty.*

**COURIER TRIBUNE (SENECA, KS) 4 DEC 1944, PAGE 6**

Private William Guilford's body was shipped home and buried in Centralia, Kansas.



### *Centralia to Have Soldier Service*

#### *For Private William E. Guilford*

*The Centralia community, which was hit hard by war casualties, is to have a service for one of its honored dead Wednesday afternoon of this week. To be given full military honors will be the body of Private William E. Guilford.*

*The body will arrive in Centralia on the Wednesday morning train, and the service, to be at the graveside, will be at 2:00 in the afternoon, with Centralia American Legion in charge.*

*Private Guilford was born June 8, 1925. He served in the infantry and met death near Aachen, Germany, on September 6, 1944.*

*He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford, who lost two boys in the service, the other George E. Guilford, who was a cadet engineer in the Maritime service and was lost in the Pacific area in 1942.*

*The parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Harvey Guilford, moved several years ago to Sulphur Springs, Arkansas. Mrs. Guilford, mother of the two boys who gave their lives in service, died a year or so ago.*



Photo added by [Luella Hinrichsen](#)

## PVT William Earl Guilford

<b>BIRTH</b>	8 Jun 1925
<b>DEATH</b>	16 Sep 1944 (aged 19) Germany
<b>BURIAL</b>	<a href="#">Centralia Cemetery</a> Centralia, Nemaha County, Kansas, USA <a href="#">Add to Map</a>
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# Beta

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

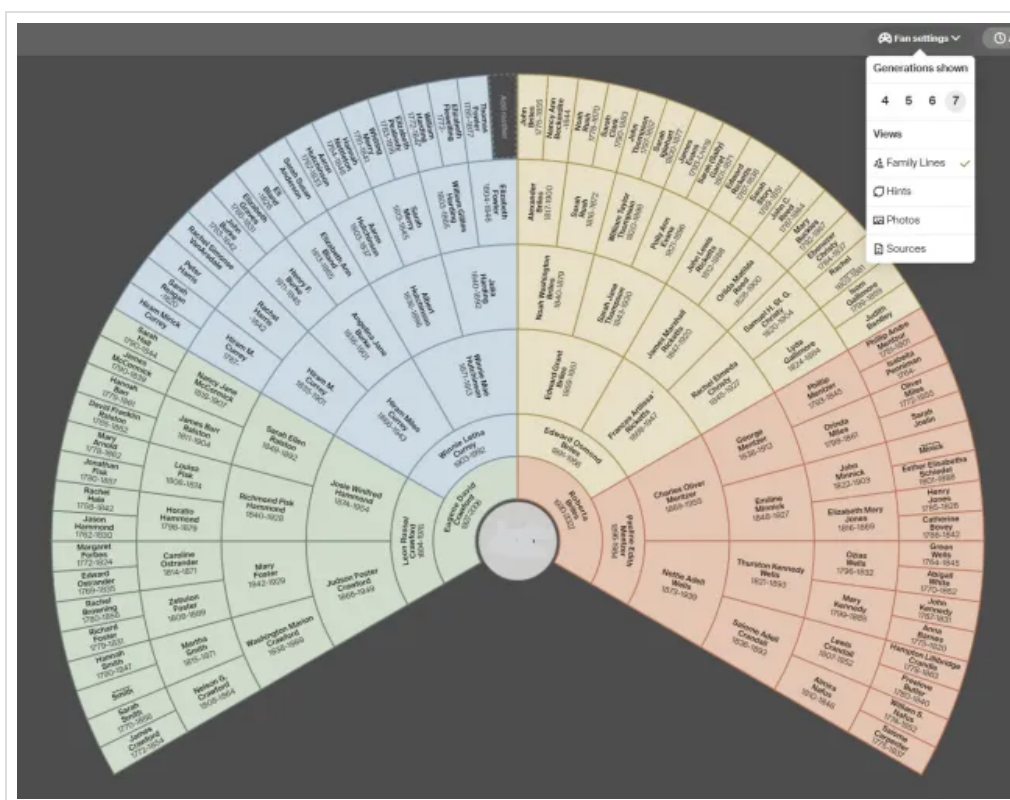
/ SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: ANCESTRY, FAMILYSEARCH

Have you seen some of the ‘Beta’ screens on Ancestry and FamilySearch. Have you been able to get back to those same Beta screens?

I know that I have two previous blog posts highlighting beta screens that I can not get back to. One, was my [Experimental Search](#) post about the use of AI technology to transcribe and index US deeds and wills. I was VERY IMPRESSED by this feature and hope that it opens back up soon.

The other was the [Fan Chart \(Beta\)](#) on ancestry. When I wrote my post, I had the ability to change the number of generations as well as change what the colors represented. While the fan chart is still available, the menus to modify the fan chart is no longer present.



FAN CHART – with menu to modify the settings



FAN CHART – as of 17 Sept 2023 – ability to modify chart is missing

It is my hope that both of these features have been removed because of some programming issue. Thus, I'm also hoping that we will see a 'new and improved' version of both in the

future.

I'm thankful that both FamilySearch and Ancestry are working to provide new features. I just need to remind myself that 'BETA' means in development and that writing the code for these features will take a lot of time. Thus, I just need to be patient!

# David Ralston

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: RALSTON

Do you use county histories? If so, have you ever found what looked like a biography for an ancestor to discover the biography is for a different person of the same name?

That's what happened when I was researching my ancestor, David Ralston. According to the obituary of James Barr Ralston's Find a Grave site, his parents are David Ralston and his wife Hannah.

The screenshot shows a Find a Grave memorial page for James Barr Ralston. The page has a dark grey header with the name 'James Barr Ralston' in white. Below the name, there is a table of vital statistics: BIRTH (20 Dec 1811, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA), DEATH (7 Jul 1904 (aged 92), Grundy County, Iowa, USA), BURIAL (Alice Union Cemetery, Conrad, Grundy County, Iowa, USA), and MEMORIAL ID (19656003). There are buttons for 'Add Photos', 'Request Photo', 'SHARE', 'SAVE TO', and 'SUGGEST EDITS'. Below the header, there are two tabs: 'MEMORIAL' and 'PHOTOS'. The 'MEMORIAL' tab is selected, showing a biography of James B. Ralston. The biography states that he was the eldest son of David and Hannah Ralston, born in Armstrong county, Penn, December 20, 1811. It also mentions that he was the last to be called from earth. There are two photos of the gravestone: one is a large, rectangular stone with the name 'JAMES B. RALSTON' and dates 'DEC 20 1811' and 'JUL 7 1904'; the other is a smaller, square stone with the same information. The page also has a 'See' button and a list of links.

Field	Value
BIRTH	20 Dec 1811 Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA
DEATH	7 Jul 1904 (aged 92) Grundy County, Iowa, USA
BURIAL	<a href="#">Alice Union Cemetery</a> Conrad, Grundy County, Iowa, USA <a href="#">Add to Map</a>
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Grandfather Ralston Dead.  
End of Long and Noble Life.  
Came to Grundy County in 1868  
Ninety-two Years Old.

James B., eldest son of David and Hannah Ralston was born in Armstrong county, Penn, December 20, 1811. The eldest of a family of two boys and four girls growing to maturity, he was the last to be called from earth.

Since James Barr Ralston was born in 1811 in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, I started searching for RALSTON information in Armstrong County, PA. Thus, I started looking at county histories for Armstrong county. That's when I found a biography for DAVID RALSTON.

years.

David Ralston, who married Miss Agnes Sharp, the second daughter of Capt. Andrew Sharp before mentioned, and the first white child born in this region, on this side of Crooked creek, was an early settler, having come to Allegheny, afterward Plum Creek, township, in 1800. His death was tragical. It occurred in 1809, at a log tavern, then kept on the farm formerly owned by Robert Woodward, and now by John Ralston. Among the persons stopping there, at the time, was a man who went out of the house, after dark, for the purpose of waylaying another against whom he had some grudge. Mr. Ralston soon after went out, and, having been taken for the one for whom the other was lying in wait, was struck with a club. The blow, thus inflicted, soon proved to be fatal. He had in his life-time purchased, and resided on, the several tracts of land now occupied by Mrs. D. Ralston, Absalom Montgomery, and James McCracken, in the southeastern part of Plum Creek township. He left three children—David, who died several years since; John, still living at Elderton, and Mary, intermarried with William McCracken. Mrs. Ralston, some time after her husband's tragical death, married James Mitchell, father of James, Sharp, Alexander, and William Mitchell, Eliza, wife of A. W. Montgomery, Sally, wife of Samuel Moorhead, and Rebecca, wife of Robert Lytle.

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At first, I thought I'd hit gold. That was until I read the info that this David Ralston died in 1809. Another discrepancy was the name of David's wife. Agnes Sharp. Since James Barr Ralston was born two years after this David Ralston's death, this biography is obviously for a different David Ralston.

According to the Find a Grave record for the David Ralston linked to James Barr Ralston, David was born in Ireland and immigrated to the United States in 1803.




Photo added by Mark Lindahl

# David Franklin Ralston

**BIRTH** 28 Oct 1785  
Ireland

**DEATH** 28 Mar 1862 (aged 76)  
Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA

**BURIAL** [Slate Lick United Presbyterian Cemetery](#)  
Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA [Add to Map](#)

**MEMORIAL ID** 21903966 · [View Source](#)

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Inscription: Aged 75 Yrs 4M & 23 DAs

David was born in Tyrone County, Ireland to the parents of John and Anne Ralston. David's father died in 1802 and the family immigrated to America in 1803. David's mother Anne sailed with her family May 14, 1803 aboard "The Stafford" leaving from Londonberry for Philadelphia, Pennsylvania but disembarked at New Castle and settled in Baltimore for about 7 years. The family was living in Buffalo, Armstrong, Pennsylvania in the 1810 Census. David's siblings: Mary, Rebecca, Robert, John, Jane, Anne and Joseph.

David married Hannah Nancy Barr in 1810 in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania. David and Hannah's children: James Barr, Hannah, Mary Ann, John David, Nancy Jane and Rebecca N. Ralston.

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Thanks to Ancestry, I found an index to a record that shows the family of Anne Ralston aboard the Strafford bound for Philadelphia in 1803.

Irish Passenger Lists, 1803-1806			
May 1803			
SHIP:	STRAFFORD	TO:	Philadelphia
SAIL DATE:	14 May 1803	FROM:	Londonderry
NAME	AGE	OCCUPATION	RESIDENCE
McGAN, John	34	Farmer	Coagh
McGAN, Elizabeth	30	Spinster	Coagh
McGAN, Sarah	2		Coagh
McGAN, Elinor	7	Infant	Coagh
WALKER, William	30	Farmer	Coagh
WALKER, John	9	Farmer	Coagh
WALKER, Mary Anne	20	Spinster	Coagh
WALKER, Elizabeth	18	Spinster	Coagh
MITCHELL, William	20	Farmer	Cumber
CONIGHAM, Thomas	18	Farmer	Ballymoney
STEWART, Alexander	20	Labourer	Kelraghts
MOORE, John	19	Labourer	Loughlin
HAMILTON, James	23	Labourer	Loughlin
SMILY, William	23	Labourer	Kelraghts
CLARKE, Edward	40	Farmer	Enniskillen
MILLEY, John	45	Farmer	Enniskillen
LOUGHRIDGE, William	30	Farmer	Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Margaret	24		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Jane	7		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, James	5		Cookstown
LOUGHRIDGE, Eliza	2		Cookstown
HARKIN, Nancy	30	Seamstress	Birdstown
HARKIN, Nelly	4		Birdstown
HARKIN, William	6		Birdstown
CHAMBERS, John	20	Farmer	County Tyrone
GRAY, William	24	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	45	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Mary	40		County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	15		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Mary	12		County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	9		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Joseph	5		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	2		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	44	Seamstress	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Robert	19	Labourer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	15	Labourer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, John	11		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Jane	8		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Anne	5		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Joseph	2		County Tyrone
RALSTON, John	40	Farmer	County Tyrone
RALSTON, Sarah	40	Seamstress	County Tyrone
RALSTON, David	9		County Tyrone
RALSTON, Andrew	7		County Tyrone
RALSTON, William	3		County Tyrone
RALSTON, James	5		County Tyrone
SHEAN, Elinor	60		County Down
ANDERSON, Mary	24		County Down
ANDERSON, Mary	2		County Down



While I found the passenger list showing David Ralston (actually 3 of them), I haven't found much else for David or for his wife Hannah. While I don't have much information, I do have questions.

- Are there any biographies in county histories where David Ralston's children or siblings lived?
- Can I locate an original copy of the passenger list for the Stafford?
- Can I find a marriage record for David and Hannah?
- Are there any records for the Slate Lick United Presbyterian Church?
- What's in the 'Armstrong Co. Genealogy Project' regarding the Ralston family? This source is mentioned on several Find a Grave sites, including his sister, Mary Ralston Graham.




Photo added by [Diane Nichols](#)

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## Mary Ralston Graham

**BIRTH** 1781  
Ireland

**DEATH** 15 Jun 1864 (aged 82–83)  
Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA

**BURIAL** [Slate Lick United Presbyterian Cemetery](#)  
Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, USA [Add to Map](#)

**PLOT** Row 5, 1st stone on right

**MEMORIAL ID** 84901821 · [View Source](#)

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Mary Ralston married Joseph Graham in Scotland and immigrated in 1803 to the US with 3 children. The couple came to Buffalo Township, Armstrong County in 1808 and were members of the Slate Lick Presbyterian Church. Joseph died in 1847 and Mary in 1862. Their children were Jane, Ann [Moorehead], Robert Joseph, Rebecca [Keenear], Mary, John, Sarah [Mateer] and Elizabeth [Smith]. This information came from the [Armstrong Co. Genealogy Project](#).

## DAVID FRANKLIN RALSTON

**David Franklin Ralston** was born on 28 Oct 1785 in Ireland.

He emigrated in 1803 from Londonderry, Ireland aboard the Stafford bound for Philadelphia.

He married Hannah Barr in 1810 in Worthing, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.



He lived in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States in 1810. David Ralston was listed on the census with 1 male 16 thru 25 and 1 female 26 thru 44.

David lived in Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania in 1820. David Ralston was listed on the census with 2 males under 10, 1 male 26 thru 44, 3 females under 10 and 1 female 26 thru 44. David Ralston was engaged in agriculture.

He lived in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States in 1830. David Ralston was listed on the 1830 census with 1 male 10-14, 1 male 15-19, 1 male 40-49, 1 female 5-9, 1 female 10-14, 2 females 15-19 and 1 female 50-59.

He lived in Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania on 1 Jul 1840. David Ralston Sr was listed with 1 male 5-10, 1 male 20-30, 1 male 50-60, 1 female 15-20, 3 females 20-30 and 1 female 50-60.

David lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 24 Sep 1850. David Ralston was listed on the 1850 census as a 63 year old farmer with \$1500 in real estate who was born in Ireland.

He lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 8 Aug 1860. David Ralston was listed on the 1860 census as a 76 year old male born in Ireland.

He died on 28 Mar 1862 at the age of 76 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States.

David was buried at Slate Lick United Presbyterian Cemetery in Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.

## ENDNOTES:

1. Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : viewed online November 2016), memorial for David Franklin Ralston (1785-1862), Find a Grave Memorial no. #21903966, created by Mark Lindahl, citing Slate Lick United Presbyterian Cemetery,

Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania; accompanying photograph by Mark Lindahl, David Franklin Ralston.

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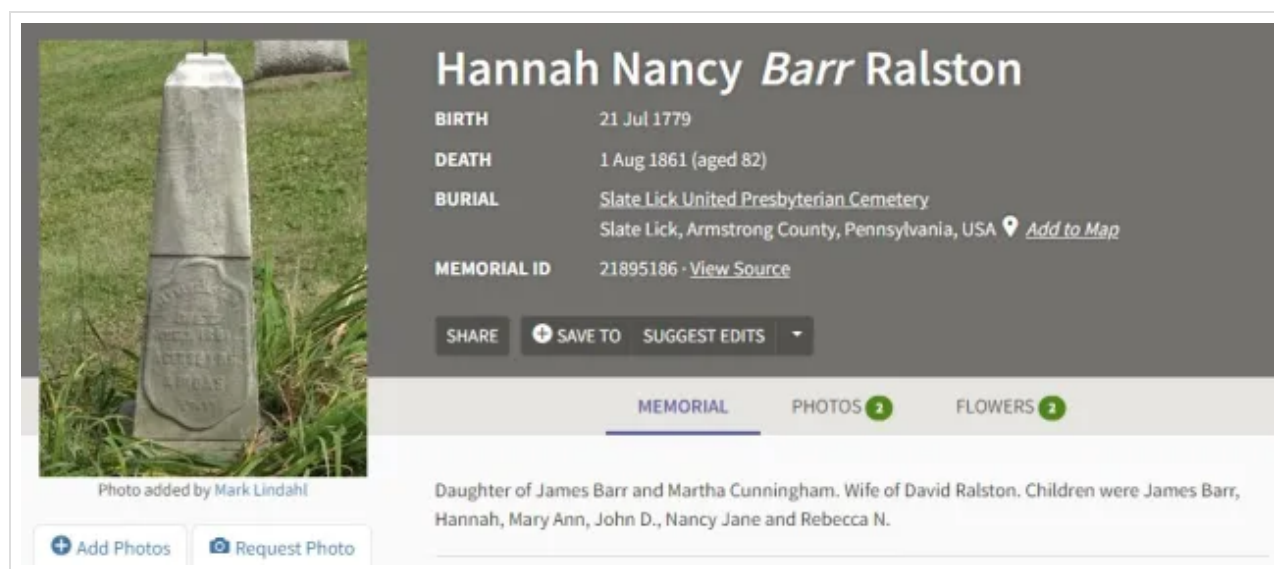
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## HANNAH BARR RALSTON



**Hannah Barr** was born on 21 Jul 1779.

She married David Franklin Ralston in 1810 in Worthing, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.

She lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 24 Sep 1850. Hannah was listed on the 1850 census as a 71 year old female born in Pennsylvania.

She lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 8 Aug 1860. Hannah Ralston was listed on the 1860 census as an 81 year old female born in Ireland.

Hannah died on 1 Aug 1861 at the age of 82.

She was buried at Slate Lick United Presbyterian Cemetery in Slate Lick, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.

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# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: DODGE CITY, HAMMOND

Have you ever visited a museum to find something related to an ancestor on display? That was my situation quite a few years ago when going thru the Boot Hill Museum in Dodge City, Kansas. In their display, Wheat Comes to Kansas, they had a journal for the Ford County Agricultural Society on display.

This journal was open to notes from a meeting held March 8th and 9th in 1889. Knowing that I had both Crawford and Hammond families living in Ford county at the time, I evidently read the journal entry because I have a handwritten note stating the following:

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*R. F. Hammond presented an essay ‘The profits of Sorghum for Feed and Syrup, which was very ably rendered by his son, Forest; responses by Crawford, Leidigh, Grantham & Henry*

My notes indicate that a newspaper clipping was pasted in the old journal.

The words ‘newspaper clipping’ is a signal to me to search the Ford county Kansas newspapers for this clipping. Thankfully, Kansas newspapers up to 1923 have been digitized and are available on [Kansas’ Historical Open Content](#). I was able to find an article about a Farmers’ Convention in the 21 Feb 1889 issue of the Dodge City Times. While I don’t have a copy of the journal entry, the newspaper article supports my handwritten notes.



## Farmers' Convention

*The Ford County Agricultural Association has decided to hold a convention in Dodge City on the 8th and 9th of March, for the purpose of mutual benefit in a practical senses, as is indicated by the programme. It is hoped that farmers and their wives will take hold of the matter in earnest. This can be made a source of profit as well as a source o pleasure. The greatest possible amount of happiness is what we, as farmers, are seeking for, and it will be largely increased if we can learn to do our farm work in a manner that is most certain to bring profitable returns. There are farmers in this county who have made a success of some one or more of the various methods used, or variety and kind of crops planted. In coming together as we have proposed, we can get the benefits of each others experience. We expect Prof. Shelton, of the Agricultural College, to be with us. His experiments for the past thirteen years ought to be worth something to all who hear him. The farmer or farmer's wife that does not improve by the experience of others will certainly have a hard time solving all the various problems that confront them in this new country.*

*We expect to spend from ten to fifteen minutes in reading a paper on the various topics, and then spend the remainder of the thirty minutes in a general discussion of the topics read, and the exercise interspersed with music. Begin now to prepare to come and read a paper or take part in the discussions, or both, and we will have a pleasant and profitable meeting.*

### *Programme*

*1 — Wheat raising and corn culture — W. C. Dunker, Wheatland township*

*2 — Profits of Sorghum for feed and syrup, R. F. Hammond, Fairview township*

*3 — What to plant tin insure grain for stock feed on the farm — N. Mayrath, Fairview township*

*4 — Best method for plowing for and the cultivation of the usual farm crops — J. L. Finlay, Royal township*

*5 — What to plant to insure a living and prepare for a surplus later — C. D. Hand, Concord township*

*6 — Water supply. How to increase and economize — Capt. Henry, Concord township*

*7 — Tame grasses — M. Collar, Dodge township*

*8 — Mistakes in farming — Not yet assigned*

*9 — Dairy business in connection with agricultural — R. E. Burns, Pleasant Valley township*

*10 — Profits and importance of poultry on the farm — J. H. Golden*

*11 — Profits of raising horses and in connection with agriculture — L. Simms, Dodge City*

*12 — Potato culture in Ford county — Dr. L. Hibbard, Ford township*

*13 — Farm economy — Not assigned*

*14 — Profits of broom corn and method of handling to get ready for market — N. O. Peacock, Grandview township.*

*15 — Importance of horticulture in Ford County— Frank Vanderslice, Bloom township*

*16 — Tree culture for early fruit and windbreaks — G V. Bartlett, State forestry station*

17 — *Why should farmers beautify their homes — Rev. W. J. Elliott*  
*Grandview township*

18 — *Importance of cattle raising in connection with agriculture — Not assigned*

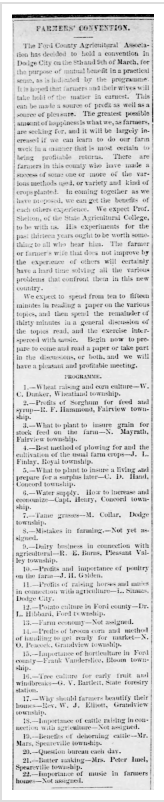
19 — *Benefits of dehorning cattle — Mr. Mars, Spearville township*

20 — *Question bureau each day*

21 — *Butter making — Mrs Petr Imel, Speareville township*

22 — *Importance of music in farmers homes — Not assigned*

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# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. To avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from Sept 16, 2023*

- 1401 Leo John Heideman Se
- 1402 James Leroy Ellington Sa
- 1403 Anthony Wm Tanking Se
- 1404 John Alfred Kistner Sa
- 1405 Lloyd Hobert Nutter Se
- 1406 Ignatius Joseph Rettele Ce
- 1407 Floyd P. Alexander Go
- 1408 Keith Alton Grigsby Co
- 1409 Garland Wm. Blough Se
- 1410 Clarence H. Hasenkamp Ba
- 1411 Orville Douglas Edman Ce
- 1412 Cyril Francis Holthaus Se
- 1413 Callistus C. Bergman Se
- 1414 Roy Laverre Fund Go
- 1415 Lawrence A. Haverkamp Se
- 1416 Henry Jos. Macke, Jr Ba
- 1417 John Marx Christine Sa
- 1418 France Geo Hartman Se
- 1419 Robert R. Fellows Go
- 1420 Bernard A. Huerter Se
- 1421 Elmer Wagner Go
- 1422 George Edw. Olberding Se
- 1423 Celestine B. Hulsing Se
- 1424 William H. Miller Co
- 1425 Edwin Michael Casey Co
- 1426 Edward T. Heiman Se

1427 Lawrence John Swartz Se  
1428 Raymond W. Rasmussen Be  
1429 Virgil Lee Slack Onei  
1430 Willard W. Fairfield We  
1431 Kenneth Edgar Hall Sa  
1432 Leonard Krogman Ba  
1433 Charles H. Barrett Ce  
1434 Bernard A. Henry Se  
1435 Wilbur Virgil Ward Ce  
1436 Felix Wm. Stallbaumer Se  
1437 Olin Elliott Emmert Be  
1438 George B. Shaffer, JR Co  
1439 Bernard F. Martin Se  
1440 Zeno Merlin Miller Be  
1441 John Pete Waller Se  
1442 Oathel Edward McClary Se  
1443 Marion Richard Ford We  
1444 Lawrence Dale Hatz Sa  
1445 Henry Thomas Clay Ona  
1446 Vincent Joseph Kohake Ba  
1447 Lynn Fred Eisenbarth Co  
1448 Amos Marion Wright Ce  
1449 Joseph Alfard Barrett We  
1450 Clarence Wm. Ford Se

*To Be Continued*

# Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

**Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:**

**It's Saturday Night again –**

**Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!**

**Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):**

**1) What was your genealogy-related highlight of this past week (or two weeks)?**

While I'd love to write about my highlight of the past few weeks, I don't think I can at this time.

SO — another highlight of my past week, has to do more with social media than genealogy.

I received an INVITE CODE to Blue Sky. Yes, this is another potential replacement to Twitter. While I've only had an account for a little over a day, I think Blue Sky looks promising.

So, what are the advantages and disadvantages of the various Twitter like platforms.

## **Twitter**

- Now called 'X'

- Rumored that it will start charging
- Users report increased bullying
- Many genealogists have left
- Scientists and reporters still seem to be present
- Posting from Feedly goes to drafts
- Twitter broke ability for WordPress blog to share posts on Twitter



## Mastodon

- Confusing — at least to me
- Logged in on my phone but don't know where to go to login on computer
- Posting from Feedly WORKS
- Some genealogists here
- Some users have multiple accounts — likely on multiple servers
- Scientists and reporters may be here
- WordPress blog automatically shares post on Mastodon



## Threads

- Many genealogists moved here
- Some scientists and reporters are here
- CAN'T search for anything covid related
- Can only share ONE blog post from Feedly without closing and re-opening Feedly
- Cannot automatically share posts from WordPress blog to Threads



## Tumblr

- Can automatically share posts from WordPress blog to Tumblr
- Scientists and reporters that I follow are not on this platform
- Few genealogists here
- Cannot share from Feedly to Tumblr



## BlueSky

- Requires invite code or placement on wait list

- Looks like and behaves like Twitter
- Currently can't share from Feedly to BlueSky
- Currently can't share from WordPress to BlueSky
- Few genealogists here
- Scientists and Reporters here
- Can search for covid information



### **So, what is my preference:**

1. BlueSky — this is promising and I'm hoping that the ability to share from Feedly and WordPress will be added
2. Someone purchasing Twitter and restoring the functionality and ability to report / block bullies
3. Mastodon — This would be promising IF it wasn't so confusing to use.
4. Threads — For genealogy, this might work — BUT — I use this platform to stay on top of public health news including COVID. Since searching for COVID related topics is blocked, I doubt that I will fully embrace this platform — even if they fix the sharing issues.

# Gratitude!

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CHRISTY

Fellow bloggers, do you ever feel like your posts about the history of your family are getting lost in the jumble of the Internet and not being read by family members? While I have regular readers of my blog and sometimes have posts shared by fellow genealogists, I don't have much readership outside of the genealogy community.

Thus, I was pleasantly surprised when I received an email from a CHRISTY relative discussing two of my 2022 Christy posts. This email came from ***the brother*** of John Frederick Christy. While researching Christy descendants, I discovered that John Frederick Christy died while serving in Korea. Curious about this cousin, I dug a little deeper and shared my research in my [John Frederick Christy](#) post dated January 4, 2022. This brother shared some additional details about John Frederick Christy's death and burial.

” *Fred's body arrived home on Christmas Eve accompanied with an honor guard who my father, John Christy said he should go home and enjoy the Christmas Holiday with his family. I recall that my mother Pauline Moore Christy wanted to be sure it was her son that was in the casket so my father and my brother Russel removed the casket lid bolts in order to view the remains. The smell of a chemical, I assume it was formaldehyde, was quite strong. The body had been cleaned but we saw the wounds he suffer including the bayonet to the neck from an enemy soldier that actually killed him according to an Army buddy who survived the attack and talked with my parents several months later.*

*Fred's casket remained at our house until it was taken to the church on Saturday after Christmas. The house awls filled with flowers from relatives and the entire community. He was buried at the Indianapolis Crown Hill Mausoleum because my Mother said "He died in the mud but I do not want him to be buried in the mud."*

The second post discussed in the email was my Two Samuels post dated August 11, 2022. In this post, I discuss finding land records for Samuel Christy in Franklin County, Ohio and realizing that my ancestor was not old enough to be the land owner cited in some of these records. Again, my correspondent provided some additional details.

*” the second Samuel was the uncle to my ancestor*

My ancestor is Samuel Henry St. George Christy (1819-1904) and his uncle is Samuel Christy (1780-1851) . I obviously did not look at the FamilySearch tree for an uncle!

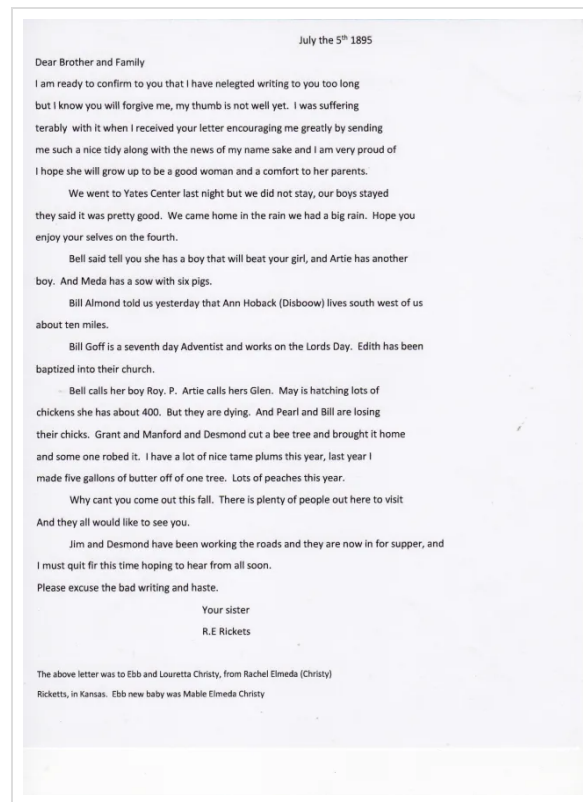
However, the best piece of information regarded the fact that my correspondent's grandfather helped my great great grandmother, Rachel Elmeda Christy Ricketts move from Indiana to Yates Center, Kansas.

*” My grandfather Ebenezer “Ebb” was a brother to your great great grandmother Rachel Elmeda Christy Ricketts. Ebb and his cousin William J “Bill” Gallimore helped the Ricketts move their furniture from Indiana to Yates Center, Kansas. It took them 22 days using a team of mules to pull the wagon(s). I am not certain of the year but it must have been after 17 June 1877 when Charles Desmond Ricketts was born in Clinton County, Indiana and before the 1880 Woodson Kansas Census that show the*

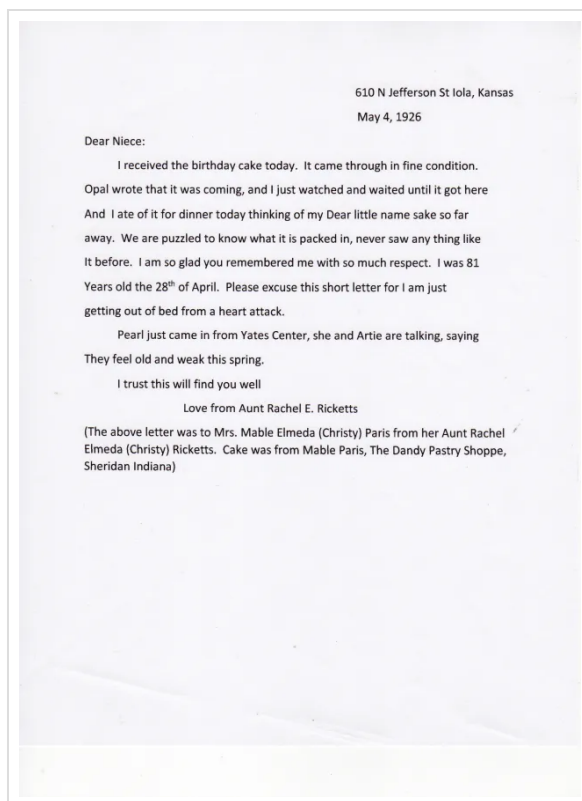


*Ricketts and Ebb living with them. Ebb stayed there for several years and built the first brick front building in Yates Center. I do not know the year (1887/1888) he returned to Indiana but he married Lizzie Young in September 25, 1888 in Indiana and lived there the rest of his life.*

Attached to the email were transcripts of TWO letters my great great grandmother sent back to Indiana. The first is dated 5 July 1895 and was written to Rachel's brother, Ebb.



The second letter is dated 4 May 1926 and is written to the niece of Rachel Ricketts.



I am very thankful to have received ALL of this information. While I have a public tree on Ancestry, I don't have any 'stories' attached to it. Currently, my tree is just names, dates and sources. This email is evidence of WHY we need to share the stories not only of the family but of our research. And it is just the incentive I needed to continue sharing my research via this blog.

# Adrian Rettele

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

19 Nov 1942

A new address is Pvt. Adrian Rettele, Co. B, 63rd Med. Tng Bn., U.S. Army, Camp Barkeley, Texas. He is the son of Mrs. Theresia Rettele. His wife will remain with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McCaig, while he is in the service.

*Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

7 Dec 1942

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Rettele are the parents o a six and a fourth pound son, David Adrian, born Thursday, dec. 3, at the home of her parents, Mr. and MRs. Roy McCaig. Mr. Rettele is in the army stationed at Camp Barkeley, Tex.

*The Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

29 April 1943

## Lose Another in Accident

Pvt. Adrian Rettele

Centralia — Kelly Soldier Killed by Cave-in at Camp Carson, Colo.

Centralia-Correspondent]

Centralia was saddened again Tuesday morning when MRs. Betty Jane Rettele received a message from Camp Carson, Colo., that her husband, Private A Adrian Rettele, had been accidentally killed at Camp Carson Monday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Rettele's father, Roy C. McCaig, phoned to Camp Carson after receiving the message and the telegram was confirmed.

The body was sent home under escort of Adrian's sergeant, arriving in Topeka at 1:00 Tuesday night, where they were met by Mr. McCaig, W. R. Popkess and W. R. Popkess, Jr., of Sabetha. The body was brought to the Popkess Funeral Home and later taken to the home of his mother, Mrs. Theresia Rettele.

In his telephone conversation, Mr. McCaig was told Adrian had met his death in a cave-in. The sergeant gave the details of the accident. Soldiers were hauling dirt and were on the last load. The bank under which they were working gave way, pinning Adrian and two other boys under the dirt. The shovels were also covered and it was necessary for the other men to dig them out with their hands. The other two were saved. They were found near the front wheel of the truck. Adrian was found by the rear wheel and his position when found showed he heard the cave-in coming but could not get clear before he was hit.

Adrian and his wife are the parents of a little boy, nearing eight months of age. Adrian had never seen his son, born since he had been at Camp Carson. He was looking forward to a furlough which he was expecting to get soon.

A letter came from the chaplain telling of services held at Camp Carson for Adrian Tuesday morning and mass for him Tuesday evening. the chaplain also told of Adrian's work there, how willing he was to help and how obedient to all demands put upon him. Also, the chaplain knew him personally from his attending church. Another letter came from his major with almost the same information, that he was one of his most willing workers. Adrian was in the medical corps.

His world was bounded by his family and he spent hours writing to his wife, mother, brothers and sisters. Letters coming in Tuesday and Wednesday morning from him made the news of his death almost unbelievable.

Funeral service are being held this Thursday morning from teh Catholic church in Kelly with interment in the cemetery there. Sincere sympathy from the community is extended to the

wife and family in their great loss.



*The Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)*

3 May 1943

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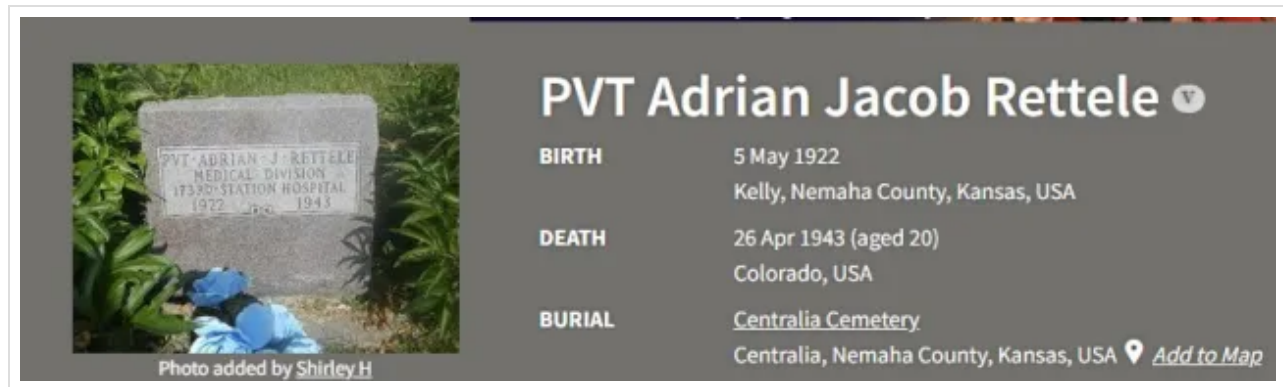
Centralia

Adrian J. Rettele

Adrian Jacob Rettele, son of George and Theresia Rusa Rettele, was born May 5th, 1922 in Mitchell Township where he grew to manhood. he had many friends in Centralia, Seneca and Kelly communities. He was called into the service of his country November 6th 1942 and stationed at Camp Barkeley, Texas, for a while, where he was n the Co. B. 63rd Medical Training battalion. From there he was sent to Camp Carson, Colorado, and it was there he met his death by accident April 26th at 4:00 p.m. in the performance of his duty. He was married April 12th, 1942 to Miss Betty June McCaig who, with an infant son, David Adrian, survives him. He also leaves his mother, Mrs. Theresia Rettele, sisters, Louis and Evelyn of he home, Mrs. Margaret Woolsoncroft of Centralia, Mrs. Mary Hand of Sabetha and three brothers all of whom are at home, John, Gerald and Paul James and other relatives and friends who mourn his passing. Funeral services were held at St. Bede's Church in Kelly Thursday, April 29th with Father Placidus Kieffer offering the Requiem High Mass. The

American Legion of Centralia was in charge of the military services at the grave. Burial was in the Centralia cemetery. Casket bearers were Maurice McBratney, Edwin Brokamp, Dale Murdock, Raymond Noland, Francis Zelfer and Allie Hermes.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to father Placidus, the American Legion, our friends and relatives for the floral offerings, spiritual help, consolation and other acts of kindness given us in the loss of our husband, son and brother. – Mrs. Adrian J Rettele and son, Mrs. Theresia Rettele and family.



From his Find a Grave Memorial (#152058092)

Army Service No. (ASN): #37234435

Adrian J. Rettele is listed as Died Non-Battle in the 1946 Army and Army Air Forces Personnel Casualty List for Nemaha County, Kansas.

With a Medical Battalion. Died during a cave-in at Camp Carson, Colorado.

U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947, lists his residence as Centralia, Kansas. Contact person listed as Betty June Rettele (Wife) of same address. Employed by Ivan Woolsoncroft, Centralia, Kansas.

# Nelson Crawford Stoner

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

**Nelson Crawford Stoner** was born on 24 Nov 1829 in Pennsylvania, United States.

He married Eliza Moore on 7 Aug 1853 in Jerseyville, Jersey, Illinois, United States.

He was the father of Mary Stoner who was born on 16 Apr 1854 in Jersey, Illinois, United States.

He was the father of John Stoner who was born on 16 Apr 1854 in Illinois.

Nelson was the father of Charles Nelson Stoner who was born about 1855 in Illinois.

He lived in Jersey, Illinois, United States in 1855.

He was the father of Edward Stoner who was born on 2 Jun 1857 in Jerseyville, Jersey, Illinois, United States.

Nelson was the father of Stephen A Stoner who was born about 1860 in Illinois.

He lived in Jersey, Illinois, United States on 11 Jul 1860. Nelson Stone was listed on the 1860 census as a 35 year old farmer.

He enlisted in Company H of the 133rd Illinois Infantry serving as a corporal on 12 May 1864 in Fidelity, Jersey, Illinois, United States.

Nelson mustered in on 31 May 1864 at Butler, Montgomery, Illinois, United States.

He mustered out on 24 Sep 1864 at Springfield, Sangamon, Illinois, United States.

He lived in Phills Creek, Jersey, Illinois in 1865.

Nelson was the father of Sarah J Stoner who was born about 1866 in Illinois.

He married Elizabeth F. Deatherage on 15 Jul 1869 in Jerseyville, Jersey, Illinois, United States.

He was the father of Lona Stoner who was born on 21 May 1870 in Illinois.

He lived in Jersey, Illinois, United States on 27 Jun 1870. Nelson C. Stoner was listed on the 1870 census as a 40 year old farmer born in Pennsylvania.

Nelson was the father of Joseph Oscar Stoner who was born on 16 Feb 1872 in Missouri, United States.

He was the father of Emma Stoner who was born on 8 Aug 1874 .

He lived in Atchison, Missouri in 1876.

Nelson was the father of Margaret Jane Stoner who was born on 3 Jul 1876 in Missouri, United States.

He was the father of William R Stoner who was born on 10 Aug 1879 in Prairie Hill, Chariton, Missouri, United States.

He lived in Wayland Township, Chariton, Missouri, United States on 11 Jun 1880.

Nelson was the father of George Stoner who was born on 28 Dec 1882 in Missouri, United States.

He was the father of Sammie E. Stoner who was born on 24 Aug 1886 .



He lived in Cockrell, Chariton, Missouri in 1890.

Nelson lived in Wayland Township, Chariton, Missouri, United States on 25 Jun 1900.

He was ill in Mar 1910 in Chariton, Missouri, United States.

He sold land on 11 Mar 1910 in Chariton, Missouri, United States. Nelson C. Stoner and wife sold land to J. Y. Turner, being a lot 123×151 ft in the northwest corner of section 5 Township 54 range 16 for \$1.

Nelson lived in Wayland Township, Chariton, Missouri, United States on 19 Apr 1910.

He died on 24 Jun 1910 at the age of 80 in Chariton, Missouri, United States. “Uncle” Nelson Stoner an old citizen of Prairie Hill, died Saturday morning June 25, 1910, in his 81st year. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jas. Linn of Huntsville, Saturday and interment was made at Oak Grove cemetery, four miles northeast of Prairie Hill. He was the father of 14 children, only six of whom, and his second wife are living.

He was buried on 25 Jun 1910 at Oak Grove Cemetery in Randolph, Missouri, United States.



## Endnotes:

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# Ralston Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: RALSTON

A will for David Ralston Senr was found in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania probate records. The Children named in this will match the children I have for David Ralston's family.

Armstrong County PA

Wills

Volume 2 1851-1873

page 247 (image 536)

Registered this 13th March 1862

Will of David Ralston Senr

late of North Buffalo

Township Armstrong County

deceased

The last will and testament of David Ralston of North Buffalo Township Armstrong Count in the name of God I David Ralston considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind & memory blessed be God for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament in names and form following I do give and bequeath to my Eldest Son James Ralston seventy five acres of land to be taken off the North west and of the track whereon I reside and I do next give to my son John Ralston the remainder of the tract being one hundred



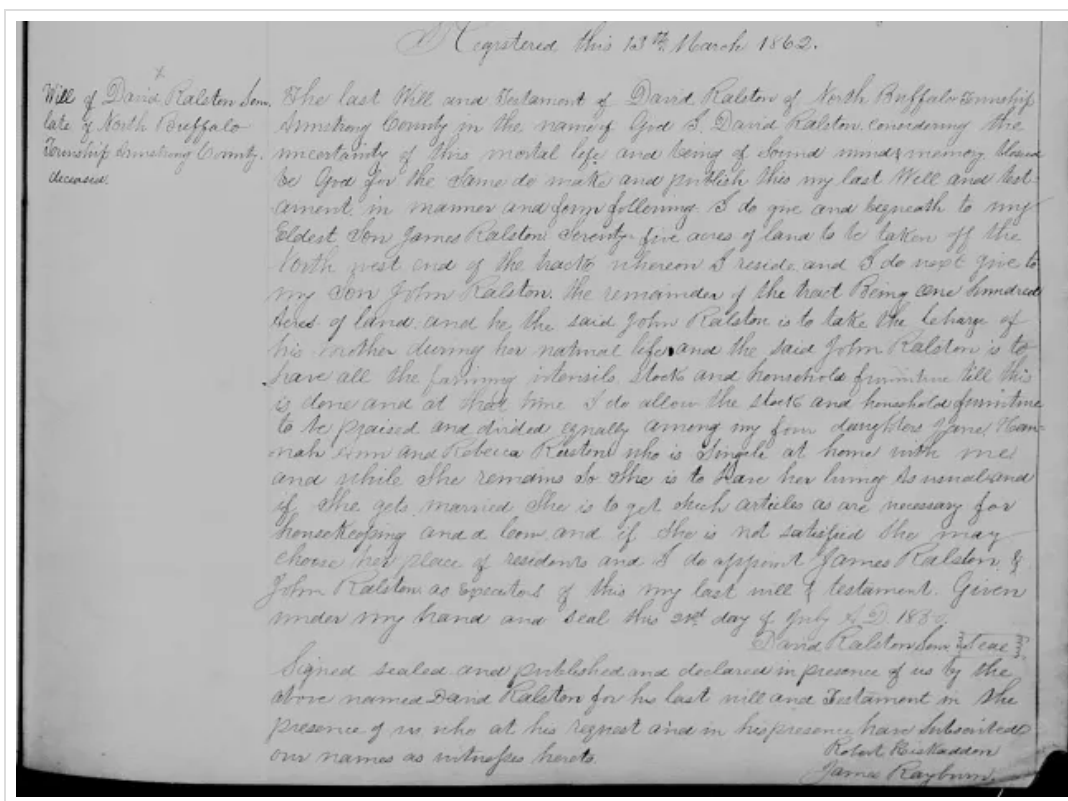
acres of land and he the said John Ralston is to take the Charge of his mother during her natural life and the said John Ralston is to have all the farming utensils stock and household furniture till this is done and t that time I do allow the stock and household furniture to be praised and divided equally among my four daughters Janes Han nah Ann and Rebecca Ralston who is single at home with me and while she remains so she is to have her living as usual and if she gets married she is to get such articles as are necessary for housekeeping and a and if she is not satisfied she may choose her place of residents and I do appoint James Ralston & John Ralston as executors of this my last will & testament Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of July AD 1850

David Ralston (seal)

Signed sealed and published and declared in presence of us by the above named David Ralston for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto

Robert Riskaddon

James Rayburn



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Armstrong Count SS

Register's office April 5th 1862

Then personally appeared Robert Rickadden & James Rayburn the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last will & testament of David Ralston Senr deceased and on their solemn oaths did say that they were present and did see and hear David Ralston Sen deceased the testator therein named acknowledged to have signed sealed publish and declare the same as and for his last will and testament and that at the doing thereof he the said testator was of perfect sound mind memory and understanding to the best of their knowledge observation & beliefs

Robert Rickadden

James Rayburn

Sworn and subscribed before me

the day & year aforesaid

David C Boggs

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 Armstrong County S.S. *Register's office April 5<sup>th</sup> 1862.*  
 Then personally appeared Robert Ristadson & James Rayburn, the Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last Will & Testament of David Ralston Sen. deceased, and on their solemn oaths did say that they were present, and did see and hear David Ralston Sen. deceased, the testator therein named, acknowledge to have signed, sealed, publish and declare, the same as and for his last will and Testament, and that at the doing thereof, he the said testator was of perfect sound mind, memory and understanding, to the best of their knowledge, observation & belief, shown and subscribed before me.  
 the day & year aforesaid.  
*David G. Briggs*  
*Register*  
 Robert Ristadson  
 James Rayburn.  
 Registered this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1862.

# Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

Do you find land records confusing? Normally, I can follow land transactions and make sense as to who owned a parcel of land at a particular point in time. However, I found a deed in my Hiram Currey files that is challenging.

On the surface, it appears Hiram Currey purchased almost 80 acres from Linus Scoville for \$150 in 1836. This land was located in section 30 of township 11N of Range 9E. In March of 1836, these two men, Hiram M. Currey and Linus Scoville, were in disagreement over another parcel of land: the South west fractional  
qr of Sec 5 town 10 North of Range 9 East. My previous, [Land Dispute](#), post transcribes the documents related to the dispute.

It appears that after losing the land to Linus Scoville, Hiram M. Currey purchased a different parcel of land from Linus Scoville.



*Peoria County Illinois  
Recorder of Deeds*

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*Book F page 505*

*This Indenture made and entered into tis ninth day of July in the  
year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six between Linus  
Scoville and*

*Elizabeth his wife of the County of Peoria and State of Illinois of the one part and*

*Hiram M. Currey of the County of Peoria and State aforesaid of the other part. Witness-*

*eth: That the said Linus Scoville and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of*

*one hundred and fifty dollars current money of the United States tot hem in hand paid*

*by the said Hiram M. Currey at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents*

*the receipt whereof the said party of the one part doth hereby acknowledge hath granted,*

*bargained, sold, assigned, transfered, set over and confirmed and by these presents doth*

*grant, bargain, sell assigns, transfer, set over and confirm unto the said Hiram M.*

*Currey his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract of or parcel of land containing*

*seventy eight 99/100 acres of land being the east half of the North west quarter of*

*section thirty of township eleven North and range nine East of the fourth principal*

*meridian lying and being in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois. To have and to*

*hold said East half of the North west quarter of section thirty of township eleven North*

*and range nine east of the fourth principal meridian with the premises and appurtenances*

*thereof unto the said Hiram M. Currey, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Linus*

*Scoville & wife for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators doth covenant*

*grant, promise and agree to and with the said Hiram M. Curry, his heirs and assigns*

*by these presents that the said Linus Scoville and wife for themselves, their heirs the said above described with the hereditaments and promises hereby granted, mentioned or intended so to be with the appurtenances unto the said Hiram M. Currey his heirs and assigns against them the said Linus Scoville and wife, their heirs and against all and every other person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above written.*

*Linus Scoville (LS)*

*Elizabeth Scoville (LS)*

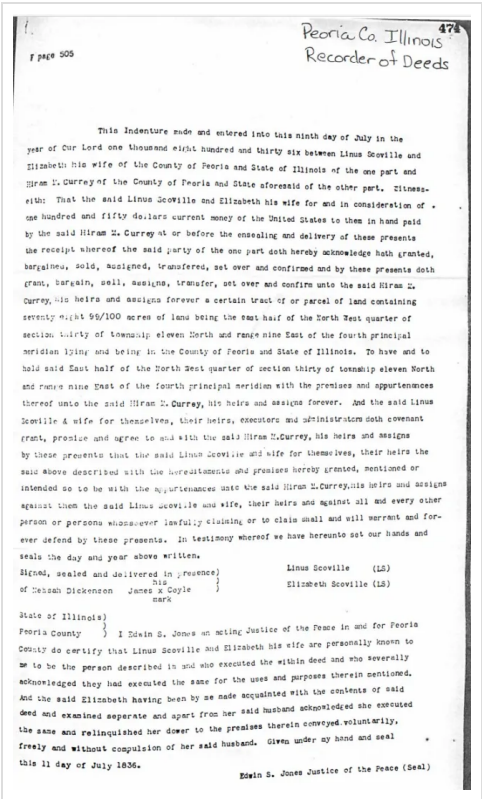
*Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Nehsay Dickenson James (his mark) Coyle*

*State of Illinois*

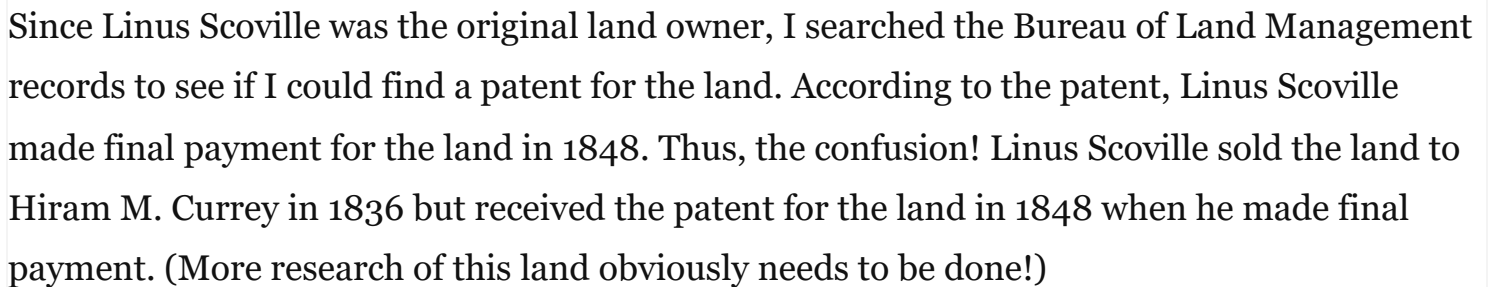
*Peoria County*

*I Edwin S. Jones an acting Justice of the PEace in and for Peoria County do certify that Linus Scoville and Elizabeth his wife are personally known to me to be the person described in and who executed the within deed and who severally acknowledged they had executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned. And the said Elizabeth having been by me made acquainted with the contents of said deed and examined separate and apart from her said husband acknowledged she executed the same and relinquished her dower to the premises therein conveyed voluntarily,*

*freely and without compulsion of her said husband. Given under my hand  
and seal  
this 11 day of July 1836.  
Edwin S. Jones Justice of the Peace (Seal)*



When I looked at the First Landowners map, I found that Linus Scoville was the original land owner of this parcel of land.





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*Pumpkin*  
**CERTIFICATE**  
 No. *1321*

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,** *Mo.*  
**To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:**

**WHEREAS** *Levin Smith of Penn. being deceased*

he *is* deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at *Keosauqua* whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

*Levin Smith* according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of the North West quarter of Section Thirty in Township Eleven North of ~~the~~ Range Four East of the fourth principal meridian, in the Western half of the State of Iowa at Keosauqua, containing thirty-six acres and thirty-nine hundredths of an acre

according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract he *is* has purchased by the said *Levin Smith*

**NOW KNOW YE** That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several Acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *Levin Smith*

and to *his* heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereto belonging, unto the said *Levin Smith* and to *his* heirs and assigns forever.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I, *James H. Pack* PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *First* day of *June* in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *forty eight* and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the *thirty second*.

BY THE PRESIDENT: *James H. Pack*  
*J. H. Doughlin* By *J. H. Doughlin, dep. Sec.*  
 RECORDER of the General Land Office.

# Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

*Courier Tribune*

*24 Oct 1940*

## List Nemaha Serial Numbers for the Draft

### Over 1600 names are in the County Roll

A Master List Will Be Chosen in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday to Determine Order in Which Local  
Numbers Will Be Called

The Courier-Tribune prints today a list of names and numbers important to almost every home in Nemaha county. It is the list of men between ages of 21 and 36 who enrolled on Wednesday, October 16th, for possible service to their country, and with each man's name, the county serial number which has been drawn for him by the local draft board.

The arrangement is by number rather than by names because numbers will be the important thing next Tuesday, October 29th, when a master list is to be drawn at Washington, D.C. to determine the order in which local numbers will be called. President Roosevelt will draw the first number.

The local drawing and listing was completed Tuesday except perhaps for a few straggling cards. The board officially posted the list yesterday and sent a copy to state headquarters. The Sabetha Herald and Courier-Tribune joined in setting the large amount of type necessary and the list is printed in the two papers. To avoid ruining the type to still greater length, a key system is used to abbreviate names of towns. Where two letters make the name of the town

clear, only two are used. Seneca becomes Se; Sabetha Sa; Corning Co; Centralia Ce; Goff GO; Wetmore We; and Baileyville, Bern, Kelly, Havensville, Soldier, Pawnee, Axtell and other points are similarly abbreviated. Oneida and Onaga addresses required the use of Onei and Ona. The Nemaha County list follows:

*Continued from Sept 23, 2023*

- 1451 Thomas F. Slocum Co
- 1452 Raymond Roy Ruse Go
- 1453 Lawrence M. Sigmund We
- 1454 Paul Edward Hill Go
- 1455 Oliver t. Schindler Sa
- 1456 Leroy James Meyer Sa
- 1457 Byron D. Nightingale Co
- 1458 Tomme Sam Brammer Sa
- 1459 Eugene Ed. Stallbaumer Se
- 1460 Wilbur Lyle Wood Sa
- 1461 John Conger Clough Se
- 1462 Elmer Leo Hutfles Co
- 1463 Wilbur Ray Sigmund We
- 1464 Thomas Sherman Forgy Co
- 1465 Leander Jos. Kokenge Ba
- 1466 Arthur L. Bergman Ba
- 1467 Walter Emil Meyer Sa
- 1468 Joseph F. Heiman Ba
- 1469 Howard David Grose Sa
- 1470 Gilbert Edward Koch Se
- 1471 Emil John Hulsing Se
- 1472 William Thomas White Ce
- 1473 Adrian Maurice Haug Ve
- 1474 Howard LeRoy Harter Be
- 1475 Frank Chas. Alexander Co
- 1476 David Meyer ` Sa

- 1477 David Edward Taylor Se
- 1478 Mark James Torrey Se
- 1479 George W. Mergenmeier Go
- 1480 Franci A. Gabbert Co
- 1481 Lynn Thomas King Go
- 1482 Vincent P. Broxterman Ba
- 1483 Earl C. Yarger Ce
- 1484 Joseph Andrew Heinen Se
- 1485 Claude P. Davenport Sa
- 1486 Harry Richard Cwley So
- 1487 Theron O. Smith Se
- 1488 Albert Jos. Rilinger se
- 1489 Alfred Joseph Hammes Se
- 1490 Lester Dale Weidkle Go
- 1491 Lawrence Holthaus Ce
- 1492 Lyle Henry Katz Ce
- 1493 Earl Samuel Bennett Se
- 1494 Isaac William Hidy Se
- 1495 Lawrence B. Rawlins Se
- 1496 John A. Troxell Sa
- 1497 Joseph A. Burdick Se
- 1498 Elmer Samuel Isch Sa
- 1499 Harry Rogers Be
- 1500 Bernard H. Hermesch Go

*To be continued*